Elder Bowen Held Deseret News Office

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listening than talking. But when he spoke, everyone else was glad to listen. His ideas were well conceived and his words were gems of wisdom. We can see him now, eyes half closed, taking in everything that his associates cared to say, and then, when the talking was through, summarizing concluding with a clarity and grasp that never ceased to amaze.

"Brother Bowen was a convincing speaker and a powerful writer. On these occasions when he was moved to write editorials for the paper—more often than not using a worn-down pencil and the back of discarded letters or paper scraps—they were masterpieces of grammar, logic, reason, and pungency. When his editors turned a little green with envy, chances are he would say with sincere modesty, 'You could have done better, but I've always had a yen to write.'

"Brother Bowen, as we knew him at the News, was a fighter. He stood up for what he thought was right, regardless of the odds. He had little patience with or sympathy for appeasement and would never sacrifice a principle for expediency. His courage, coupled with his keen foresight, was a constant inspiration to those of us who were closely associated with him in a business which so often needs courage and foresight.

"Elder Albert E. Bowen was made an instrument in the hands of God to do a great work in the highest councils of his Church and in service to his fellowmen. In his passing, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has lost a beloved and respected general authority. Utah and the Mountain West has lost a business stalwart and a useful civic leader, and we at the Deseret News mourn the passing of an inspirational guiding hand."

British-Trained Piano Tuner Recent Concert

Edwin R. Astin came to America from his Lancastershire Branch of the Church in 1924 and made a first home for himself and family in Mesa, Arizona, working in a music store in that city.

Seeking a more English-like climate than the 100-plus temperature of the Arizona desert air, Elder Astin has recently moved into Oakland Stake, and is available anywhere in the bay area for reliable expert piano tuning at favorable rates.

"What is your opinion of American piano houses?" was asked expert Astin by your editor in a July interview.

"They are quite different than the British piano firms," he replied promptly. "Piano selling is more of a profession over there while here it is considered strictly business. However, just one of your largest American piano factories produces more instruments in a given time than all the piano houses of England put together, so you see it is a serious matter to dispose of them all to the customers year after year."

Elder Austin, having the sensitive ear for music of a piano builder and experienced tuner from age 14 to his present 30 some odd years, was surprised to find that the British piano is a superior musical instrument to its American cousin.

"With the exception of your best-rated piano which sells for a very large sum, an imported British piano will give a very appreciable saving and a truly excellent instrument," commented Brother Astin.

It is understood that he has already accepted several orders for imported pianos. This may prove to be a distinct service he can render, besides the tuning and conditioning of home and church pianos.

Until the phone company can install a phone, Edwin Astin may be contacted at 21897 Rio Vista Street, Hayward, or by calling Sister Gertrude Lesser of the Oakland Stake MIA board at LUcerne 1-4155.

National Parks And Canada Thrill Gaisfords

Harold and Geraldine Gaisford their three sons, and Mrs. Metal McOmber have recently returned from an extended trip through the Pacific Northwest into British Columbia and Alberta Province of Canada, returning through Glacier and Yellowshone National Parks and Salt Lake City, Utah.

The vacation trip was in connection with Harold's attending the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company's educational conference held in Jasper Park Lodge Alberta, Canada.

The travelers report favorably on the scenic beauty of the areas covered in their trip. The business trip, which made the attendance vacation possible, was award ed Harold as a result of his outstanding activities and leadership in the East Bay office of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company of which he is manager .

17 Delegates Attend Huge Scout Jamboree

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at Newport Beach, July 17, and addressing a large group.

This is the third national get-together of the Boy Scouts of America, the first held in California. It was the largest gathering of youth in the Western Hemisphere; over 50,000 Boy Scouts and Officer attended.

International distinction was recently accorded the Mt. Diablo area. Boy Scouts who sailed from Japan were enrolled in Jamboree Troop 34, headed by Jack Smith, assistant Scoutmaster of Berkeley Troop 8. Six Cuban Scouts were also assigned to this local group.

Elton Ream, Robert Thomas Baer, and Thomas Hopkins of Berkeley Troop 8 went to "Jamboree City."

Post cards, mailed from the magic tent city and other "souvenciers" without end bore the covered wagon insignia of "Boy Scouts of America National Jamboree, Irvine Ranch, 1953.

On Monday evening, July 13, Irving B. Waterbury, director of Jamboree affairs, reported that a large Scout contingent from Logan, Utah, Jamboree-bound spent a pleasant interlude at Camp Herms.

Mrs. Victor Lindblad and Mrs. Kirke Decker accompanied their husbands to "Jamboree City."

Michell Ruth Goes On Mission

The Oakland Ward takes great pleasure in reporting that one of our beloved High Priests, Mitchel Ruth, has been called to fill a mission in the North Western States Mission. He formerly resided in Richmond.

Brother Ruth is to report at the mission home on September 2, and his testimonial farewell will be held in Oakland Ward Sunday, August 30, at 6 p.m.

A very fine service has been arranged with President Delbert F. Wright, one of the speakers. All friends are invited.

Tour To Hawaii, Hawaiian Temple, Being Formed

Considerable attention is being focused on the Tour to Hawaii that has been formed, sponsored by the genealogy committee of Berkeley Second Ward and handled by Brother Milton E. Noe, of that committee. Brother Noe gained his experience with such a group through accompanying a similar tour to Hawaii last year. He reports that Aloha Week in Hawaii is the most sought after vacation period of the year and all available air, steamship, and hotel accomodations have long since been reserved for that period.

Members of the LDS tour which Brother and Sister Noe accompanied last year unanimously expressed enthusiasm for their experiences. A few excerpts from printed statements follow:

"If heaven is half as nice, it is worth working for a home there," Isabell Paul.

"This has been one of the highlights of my life," Mary B. Eckardt.

"The trip has been a joy that will last forever," Matilda Child.

"I shall never forget this beautiful place, the people we met and the fine folks in the tour." Ruth Nelson.

"A trip that we both will remember for a long time, the wonderful people we met and the wonderful people we traveled with." Harold Goucher.

"The plane trip through the stratosphere, and the wonderful view of the clouds and sea below was a never-to-be-forgotten experience," Milton E. Noe.

Thrilling Experiences Assured

There will be those who, for reasons of their own, will not enter the temple, and the group will include several non-members of the Church. Such folks will be able to spend additional time in further enjoyment of the large variety of special features provided during Aloha Week.

Further details are to be found in advertisement on page eight of this Messenger.

WHO HELPS TO GET OUT YOUR MESSENGER EVERY MONTH?

At Messenger headquarters the editor and his secretary are kept busy a good part of every day except Sunday, month in and month out.

This work comes under three main divisions: (a) **The editorial** which includes getting the stake and ward reports prepared to send to the printer in the form he requires; (b) **The business division** which includes scouting for and servicing ads, keeping accounts, collecting money receivable, and paying accounts payable; (c) **The mechanical division** which includes keeping the mailing lists up to date, persuading ward clerks to send in new and deleted names and addresses; embossing new metal plates; and fitting them in alphabetical order into the proper drawers.

But more important is the addressing of the near 7,000 copies monthly, tying them in properly labelled mail sacks and carting them (nearly 700 pounds) to the Berkeley Post Office.

How Mechanical Division Works

Let's talk about the last division first, namely, the mechanical.

On the day the printer delivers the new issue to our basement work room, you would find a force of from four to six persons working from four to six hours. This group is kept busy untying 25-pound bundles of printed Messengers, stamping the names and addresses on the separate papers; tying them in bundles by cities and towns as before stated and seeing they get into properly labelled mail sacks and off to the post office platform in the rear of the post office building on Allston Way and Milvia Street, Berkeley.

The stamping of addresses is done by use of two addressograph machines, one a hand and the other an electric machine. Embossed plates are pressed against a roll of typewriter-like ribbon and on to the Messenger; as one plate is thus stamped on the paper, it passes and another plate takes its place for the next impression.

Two of the crew of four to six who thus each month address the papers and get them down to the post office have been doing this work for every issue of the Messenger since its revival in its present eight-page form, April, 1946. That was seven years last April and seven times 12 is 84. Add four (to August '53) and you have 68 issues.

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Berkeley Stake

Cazadero Camp Draws Saints From Bay Area

The Warrens spent two weeks in the auto camp at Cazadero. The Kenneth Bailey family were here for a week in the family camp. The John Franz family spent some time in the auto camp. Sister Braby and Sister Summerhays were up for a day is July. Martha Braby is working there as a counselor and Carolyn Braby is a dining hall girl. Sister Coltrin and her mother and sister went up to visit Dorothy Mae, who was a camper in the girls' camp. Brother and Sister Wilford Dean and their daughter-in-law also visited their grandson, Jimmy Dean, who was a camper in boys' camp.

Clif Boyack, camp mananger, stayed two weeks in camp.

We're all enjoying camp very much. The weather has been ideal. You might be interested in knowing that those church members who are at Cazadero hold LDS service every Sunday morning. There are from 12 to 20 present each time.

The Kenneth Baileys returned from Cazadero, got clean clothes, turned the key in the door, pointed the car's nose south and headed for Southern California to finish their vacation.

Alfred E. H. Cardwell spent a vacation in Oregon with his son Edward.

Inter-Stake S. S. Convention Held

By F. B. McOmber, Supt. Berkeley Stake Sunday School

Ten stakes gathered at Berkeley Chapel Sunday morning, July 12, for Sunday School Stake Board Convention.

Brother Ralph B. Keeler and Brother Carl J. Christensen directed the regional meetings which took place in the Berkeley Chapel Sunday. This was the first conference of its type for this area. Among the Stakes represented were Berkeley, Fresno, Sacramento, San Francisco, Santa Rosa, Oakland and San Joaquin.

It was stressed that necessary to the success of Stake Sunday Schools is a vigorous Stake Board, competent, energetic and resourceful and that ward bishops should release competent personnel to be available to stake board positions.

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Church Wide News 7,000 Tourists Daily Visit Temple Square

Every 30 minutes of the day a guide on Temple Square in Salt Lake City started the rounds of sights on the Square with a crowd of tourists following him from point to point each day of July. Approximately 7,000 tourists daily make visits to this "crossroads of the West."

More than 100 guides are busy in shifts for this free service of information. More than 2,000 persons are seen each day at the noon organ recital, and nearly 500 attend the evening special summer recital at 7:30 p.m.

Sister Takes Sister's Place

A charge of presidency at the Mesa Temple has resulted in one sister, Mrs. Pierce, succeeding another sister, Mrs. Paine, as matron of the temple. Pres. Harry L. Payne died after nine years of service. Arvell L. Pierce succeeds him. They had married sisters.

A total membership of 140,354 in the Church's Relief Society in the stakes and missions is reported as of December 31, 1952. The annual growth in 1952 was nearly 8,000.

Thus about half of the 284,549 families of the Church are members of the Society.

Liahona Campsite Natural History Excites Attention

Warren A. Larsen of the Berkeley Second Ward bishopric and teacher of scouts in a Richmond secondary school, and his sons, Neil and David, and a young relative from Modesto, excitedly discovered a downey woodpecker's nest with two wee woodpeckers during their one-day and one-night stop-over at the Liahona Campsite Saturday and Sunday, July 18-19. They were beginning a ten-day mountain vacation fishing and roughing-it trip that took them over the Sonora Pass above the Liahona campsite.

Warren and his boys came to the Liahona group's Sunday School July 19 a little late, and explained afterwards that they had that morning made the interesting discovery of the hole-in-a-tree nest of the downy woodpecker. They said they were able to stand on a level with the nest and to observe the two young fledgings from as close as two feet. A tap on the tree, they reported, was sufficient to bring the two wide-eyed heads of the baby birds stretching out of the round hole in the tree.

Others at the campsite later in the day were able to observe the mother and father woodpeckers busy at work gathering bugs and whatnot for their ever-hungry progeny. The downy woodpeckers wear a very black set of wings but the father peckers sports a pretty wine-red blotch of color across his forehead. The mama woodpecker foregoes this adornement and is content with a grey face and forehead.

A Black Bear Seen

Mrs. D. Ronald Smith reported last year seeing at a considerable distance from the campsite a specimen of the common black or brown bear that is so frequently an interesting sight in Yosemite. He ambled off in harmless unconcern, she said.

The squirrels and most of the birds of Yosemite are found in sparce numbers at the Liahona grounds. The wild flowers make the open spaces colorful, while the sego lily (mariposa) Utah's state flower are seen at a few spots. Along the green banks of little Liahona creek are found in great abundance the pretty meadow daisy and the lovely golden mimula (the so-called monkey flower).

Mrs. Charles Stamps and her sons reported looking down on a pool in the Clarks Fork stream bordering the Campsite and seeing several beautiful good-sized trout in shallow water. As evidence she displays a photograph of mister trout as he extended himself in restful pose that day. However, neither she northe boys had their fishing gear with them so those finn yspecimens remain for some lucky Sierra angler.

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Intermountain News S. L. Tungsten Refinery To Open In September

A new company will refine in the Salt Lake City tungsten ores from Utah & Colorado. The crude ore will first be concentrated nearby. Utah tungsten ore is vital to the national economy, it is said.

The firm, the Salt Lake Tungsten Co. will refine 200,000 pounds of tungsten oxide per month, and is sponsored by Sylvania Electrical Products of Wanda, Pa., for use in radio tubes and supplies.

Educational Television Punts

The California legislature and the Utah governor both side-tepped the challenge to set up educational television under school directorship.

In Utah the governor's veto has resulted in educators joining to form the Utah Educational Television Foundation. Its directors include representatives of all Utah universities, boards of education, junior colleges and private schools.

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Local LDS Institute Opens; Also Seminaries

The LDS Institute of Religion at the University of California will open for classes September 21. The university will register students from September 14th to the 21st.

Lee Kenner, director and teacher at the institute, will offer courses in the following fields:

Social and religious teachings of Jesus.

Religion and literature of the apostolic age.

Courtship and marriage.

Mormon doctrine and philosophy.

The Restored Church of Christ.

Joseph Smith, and the Restoration.

Religion and Literature of the Old Testament.

History and Christianity.

Survey of World Religions.

L. D. S. Church History.

The Book of Mormon.

The Doctrine and Covenants and Pearl of Great Price.

Every Sunday classes are held as well as priesthood, Sunday school and sacrament meeting.

A very rich recreational program is fostered under the direction of the Mormon fraternity Lambda Delta Sigma. The offi-

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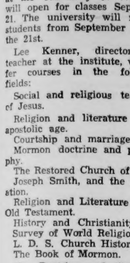


Mr. and Mrs. Cleone T. Fitt the of the Berkeley Stake High Council and Mr. and Mrs. Rurl Wanlass (he the president of the Rodeo Branch) and their families spent an August vacation period at the Liahona Lodge and Campsite on the Stanislaus above Pinecrest.

Dennis Lauper led a group of nine men and several families, August 14 to 16 to work on the lodge and to rusticate in the mountains. Their assigned project was accomplished with the help of two trucks, namely, that of digging and laying the huge stone and concrete foundation for the immense stone chimney that will extend to the top of the lodge and give comfort and cheer with its fireplace when the lodge is completed.

In the Lauper work and camping party were Clyde Russell, Warren Berg, his wife and three sons, Wendell Martin, wife, 17-year old son and four children, Robert Paine and wife, Rulon Knowles, William Clayson, and Bishop Larson (Walnut Creek), and three sons. With Dennis Lauper were his son, Mark, and a nephew.

Two trucks were taken up the canyon filled with donated bed springs and mattresses as part of the permanent camp equipment for the many dorm rooms upstairs over the lodge and the utility house. The trucks were the property of Rulon Knowles, and of Verl Bennett, the LDS paint contractor, who could not go but who loaned his truck to Dennis for the day. With these trucks were hauled the many tons of rock and other material used in the construction mentioned.

August 23-29 was a busy week at the Liahona Lodge. Clyde W. Lindsay and Orval Colgan constructed the lodge's stairway to the second story dorms on Monday and Tuesday when Clyde had to return to Centerville. Mrs. Lindsay and Mrs. Colgan accompanied their husbands.

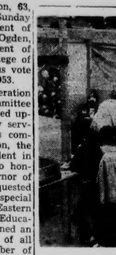
From Wednesday to Saturday, Orval Colgan, skilled carpenter with I. B. Ball as helper, put in place all window frames, windows, door frames and doors and door locks so the lodge may now be fully locked up. A gird ger was placed under the north porch.

On Saturday Dennis Lauper and Sid Feller, using Verl Bennett's truck, took up a load of furniture secured thru the good offices of Mark Lauper. Included were two rocking chairs two round tables and several single beds and mattresses. These men also put in porch pier footings and hallued more rock for the fireplace which soon will be constructed on the grand style.

Labor Day week end saw in camp the Berkeley Boy Scouts and a large labor gang laying the finish flooring and nailing the knotty pine wallboards in the lodge, and putting in porch girders and porch railing.

Verl Bennett will add the painters' touch late in September.

Dr. Dixon Chosen President UAC



Dr. Henry Aldous Dixon, 63, a member of the Deseret Sunday School Union, and president of the Weber College of Ogden, Utah, was elected president of the Utah Agricultural College of Logan, Utah by unanimous vote of the board August 9, 1953.

After weeks of deliberation and hearings by a sub-committee the Board of Trustees settled upon Dr. Dixon who recently served on President Truman's commission of higher education, the only junior college president in the whole nation to be so honored. Moreover, the governor of Washington recently requested Dr. Dixon to serve on a special committee to study the Eastern Washington College of Education. Not long ago he declined an offer to become director of all U. S. suites as a member of the U. S. Board of Education.

"It is the greatest educational opportunity I can see anywhere," said the new president upon being told of his appointment. He had not been an active applicant for the position.

Dr. Dixon has been three times president of Weber College, and has succeded in greatly enlarging the campus and standing of that city college. He served a term as superintendent of schools at Provo, Utah, his home town, and as assistant president of a bank in Provo of which his father was president and founder. He has proven himself a great community worker where ever he has lived. He has held many Church positions during his life.

Immediately upon being elected he and Mrs. Dixon made arrangements to move to Logan while the new head presently took over his position and began the task of readying things for the school's fall term.

MIA Stake Convention Held At Berkeley

Nineteen MIA General Board members, including Emily H. Bennett and Larue C. Longden of the General Presidency and Elbert R. Curtis, General Superintendent, visited the Berkeley Chapel on the evening of August 16. The purpose was the annual MIA Convention, for which Berkeley was host stake this year. The six participating Stakes were Berkeley, Oakland, Santa Rosa, San Francisco, Palo Alto and San Jose.

Preceding the convention Berkeley Stake was host to the General Board at a buffet supper held in the recreation hall, with stake executive boards and priesthood authorities invited also.

In the Executive section, Superintendent Curtis dwelt upon the necessity of good organization, and good use of that organization. He also included many "tips" on how to be a goood stake leader; urging better leadership meetings, better preparation, etc.

Sister Bennett stressed the girls program; and Sister Longden urged that camping be given first importance during the summer, and that we make plans now for a good "camping summer" next year. Standards of behavior and dress were commented upon.

San Franciscan And Oaklander Among BYU Grads

Among the one hundred forty summer graduates who received degrees Friday, August 14 at the summer convocation of the 76th commencement of the Brigham Young University are two young bay area men.

W. Wayne Wright of San Francisco received a master of arts degree with the other 27 earning masters degrees at that time. James McFarlane Jr., of Oakland received a bachelor's degree among the eight similarly honored Californians out of the 113 who won the bachelors standing.

We are informed that James graduated in the field of geology and is working for the summer in Wyoming along this line for the Department of the Interior. In the fall he will return to the BYU under a fellowship and pursue both research in his field and courses leading towards a masters degree in geology, his chosen field for a life career.

Los Angeles Editor Visits LA Temple

By NED REDDING

Standing on the Temple grounds at Santa Monica and Selby and watching the progress being made on the building of the largest of all modern Temples we note that tremendous advancement has been made since our last visit a short time ago.

Last week the outside "finished product" of granite and pre-cast granite (known by the trade name of Mo-Sai) were placed on the southeast exterior of the building. The granite is shipped from Cold Springs, Minnesota, and the Mo-Sai comes from Salt Lake City where it is manufactured from the finest quartz aggregate and white Portland cement.

The granite slabs, 2¼ inches thick, form a base with the Mo-Sai slabs finishing the remainder of the exterior. The Mo-Sai slabs are eight feet by seven feet two inches and are four inches thick.

Asked when the building is expected to be completed, Edward O. Anderson, church architect, said it will be in the fall of 1955, possibly as early as August.

An interesting point in the overall construction is the announcement that the lawns will probably be planted within the next 60 days or before the winter rains.

"Most home builders leave the landscaping until the last thing," Anderson said. "But planting the lawn before the Temple is completed has several advantages. It will give the area time to settle, the soil in place. When the rains come the water will run off the grass without doing harm to the soil.

He revealed that former Bishop Wallace Hammer of Santa Monica Ward has been awarded the contract for installing a sprinkler system. A four inch pipeline will supply the water for this project.

After installation of the underground sprinkler system, the ground will be prepared and planted and the sprinkler heads attached to the feeder lines, all by September 1.

"In speaking about construction, too much praise cannot be given Soren Jacobsen and his staff for their excellent devotion to duty," Anderson said. "This morale of the workers is high. Work begins each day with prayer, and all the workers join in, with members and non-members alike offering prayer. There is a fine feeling here and many testimonies are being developed."

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The Los Angeles Examiner devoted a full page Monday, June 29, to the "Mormon Temple." It is an excellent article, accurately written, with pictures completing the story.

Pres. Hugo Smith of San Fernando Stake announces that the Temple publicity committee will henceforth be known as the Temple information committee. He is chairman with Joe Lundstrom as vice chairman.

"All members of the committee, which was formed over a year ago, will now have work to do," Pres. Smith said. A complete program will be in their hands shortly."

Ready for distribution through the regional council are 30,000 pictorial brochures prepared by the committee.

Annual Oakland Stake Welfare Bazaar and Carnival Set For Saturday, September 26th

The Oakland Stake Welfare Bazaar and Carnival which has provided so much fun in past years will be enjoyed again this year.

Time: Saturday, September 26, beginning at 10 a.m. and running all day.

Place: Welfare Center, 9838 Gould Street, Oakland

Country Store

There will be bargains galore for you Saturday shoppers, so bring your shopping bags and load up the back of your car.

Yes, the country store will be repeated again with an extra fine meat and poultry department and loads of fresh vegetables right off the farm.

How About Cakes and Pies?

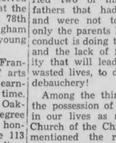
How about fresh bread, cakes and pies for Sunday dinner? You'll find the same bakery department run by the Primary.

You newlyweds who are furnishing your apartments will be interested in the new and used furniture department. Don't miss it!

We want you to come early, bring the whole family, and the staff is busy enjoying the various booths, movies, pony rides etc.

Stake Presidency's Delicacy

Oh yes, and don't forget those fresh barbecued pork sandwiches that the State Presidency is going to serve you (of course a slight charge will be made for such expert culinary talent). We will see you there.



CHAPLAIN GWILLIAMS

LDS CHAPLAIN QWILLIAMS SERVES SERVICEMEN ON TREASURE ISLAND

Navy chaplain, Robert F. Qwilliam, stationed at Treasure Island, San Francisco, addressed the saints in Berkeley 1st Ward Sunday evening, August 8. In a very happy, informal manner but with deep sincerity and humble spirituality the young chaplain spoke of the duties that confront him as he meets with the 800 young servicemen on Treasure Island in his contingent.

Referring to the very humble spirit of the preceeding speaker, Elder Qwilliam stressed the direct need of such a spirit at all times in order to have the Holy Ghost's guidance in one's life. Citing the Samanites in Arizona who are members of the Church as examples of deep humility as he had seen it in his labors among them, the speaker told how these hard lives had worked this humble spirit within them, and how easy it is for us to lose this essential spirit during the busy day to day contacts. He confessed to a personal need he feels to bring his own mind back to humbleness many times during his ordinary day so that he may feel the presence of the Lord guiding and inspiring him in his many duties.

In speaking of the boys who come to him and some who are referred to him who have personality conflicts and frustrations, he said among the worst cases of maladjustment were two Mormon-born boys. Back of them were records of broken homes, mothers that had remarried two or three times, and fathers that had wandered off and were not to be found. If only the parents knew what such conduct is doing to their children, and the lack of faith and stability that will lead to broken and wasted lives, to drunkenness and debauchery!

Among the things that lead to the possession of the Holy Ghost in our lives as members of the Church of the Christ the speaker mentioned the reading of the standard works of the Church.

The Messenger in reporting this address of Chaplain Robert F. Qwilliam calls attention to a notice that appeared in the March Messenger stating that all servicemen coordinators in the wards and stakes are invited to consult Brother Qwilliam for whatever help they need, and especially that LDS servicemen

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No. Calif. Mission, 59 Missionaries, Report July Labors

Five districts yet remain in the Northern California Mission which is directed by President and Mrs. Thomas Gardner with headquarters on beautiful Buena Vista Way, San Francisco.

The July report of the 59 missionaries laboring in the mission shows an average of 35 cottage meetings held by each missionary during the 31-day period when an aggregate of 134 Books of Mormon were sold, 46 more loaned, 1163 other Church books distributed along with 2320 tracts.

To perform these commendable activities the 59 elders and lady missionaries report an average of seven hours work per day tracting, holding cottage and branch meetings ,studying and visiting members and investigators.

The average expense reported by the group for the month of July was $53.62 ranging from high of $60.88 to a low of $39.43, the five districts of Redmond, San Joaquin, Monterey Bay, Fresno and Golden Gate (the San Francisco bay region).

Burlingame Ward To Dedicate New Chapel September 13

Members of the Burlingame Ward will have the pleasure of seeing their excellent new ward chapel dedicated Sunday, September 13, 1953, at 2 p.m., according to an announcement from the office of ward bishop, Melven P. Pickering.

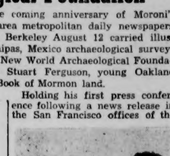
Thus, a long awaited day arrives for this thriving church congregation which has patiently met for so many years in the Odd Fellows temple in Burlingame.

Old friends of the ward are cordially invited to attend the dedicatory exercises and renew acquaintances.

Metroopolitan Press Carries Interview With Tom Ferguson Regarding New World Archaeological Foundation

Appropriately timed to the coming anniversary of Moroni's visits to the prophet four bay area metropolitan daily newspapers in San Francisco, Oakland, and Berkeley August 12 carried illustrated spreads regarding the Chipas, Mexico archaeological surveys and excavations in 1952 by the New World Archaeological Foundation headed by Elder Thomas Stuart Ferguson, young Oakland attorney. This is supposedly in Book of Mormon land.

Holding his first press conference following a news release in the San Francisco offices of the



DR. FIDDER, TOM FERGUSON

CPA tax expert and treasurer of the NWAF, Scott Dunham, Mr. Ferguson was interviewed for two hours August 11 by reporters of the San Francisco Chronicle, the Post Inquirer, the Oakland Tribune and the Berkeley Gazette. The representatives of the press were intrigued by the new and rather audacious attempt of the NWAF to unearth evidence to support the theory that the original inhabitants of Central America came across the Atlantic Ocean from their homeland in the region of Palestine and the Tigris-Euphrates valley in pre-Christian centuries.

One of the most succint and sharpest analyses of the foundation's work and its basic theory based on 16th century Mayan documents long neglected by archaeologists was printed in the Chronicle article by Kevin Wallace. However, the longest and best illustrated report of the interview with Elder Ferguson appeared in the Oakland Tribune on the date mentioned and under the head "MYSTERY SOLVED! OAKLAND EXPLORER DIGS UP RUINS OF ANCIENT CITIES."

Oakland Tribune Reports NWAF Discoveries

"A young Oakland attorney's penchant for ancient civilization", says the Oakland article, "and a scientific detective job today are responsible for discovery that is probably the oldest high culture in the Western Hemisphere and a possible answer to the Americas' leading archeological mystery."

Continuing the Tribune reports, "The find, extensive remains of several ancient cities—cities dating back to before the birth of Christian Southern Mexico" was reported by Thomas Stuart Ferguson, president of the New World Archaeological Foundation and leader of a recent expedition to the area.

"And with it came the answer to the origin of ancient America's most advanced civilizations in Mexico and Central America, the 38-year old lawyer who lives at 1 Irving Lane, Orinda, says.

TRACE MIGRATION

"Scholars have long been debating three possible theories of origin of the high cultures known to have existed in that region:

"1—That the ancient peoples migrated from Siberia, across what is now the Bering Strait, into North America along with their primitive brothers, worked their way down to Southern Mexico, Guatemala and Peru and there developed their culture from scratch.

2—That they were transplanted with their culture into Middle America from Southeast Asia by trans-Pacific ocean voyage—a reverse of the famed Kon-Tiki trip of Thor Heyerdahl.

"3—That they came, again by small boat, across the Atlantic from the great center of Old World culture in the Tigris-Euphrates and Nile valleys.

"It is the latter theory that is bearing fruit with the new discoveries, Ferguson asserts.

"Though only preliminary study has been made in the area, which is along the Grijalva River in the Mexican State of Chipas, large numbers of potsherds or fragments of pottery and ce-

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Vinal G. Mauss Coming Home

The release of Vinal G. Mauss and the appointment of Hilton A. Robertson to the position of president of the Japanese Mission was announced by the First Presidency August 14, 1953 in Salt Lake City. President Mauss has been head of that mission since September 1949, a four-year period.

President Robertson and his wife had served a mission to Japan in 1921 and were presiding there while Vanal G. Mauss served as a missionary in Japan, 1922-24, and until the mission was closed in 1924. From 1936 to 1940 they served in the Hawiian Islands directing the affairs of the mission from the Islands. They were called to open the Chinese Mission in Hong Kong in 1949, and afterwards transferred to the Chinese Mission in San Francisco's Chinatown until early in 1953 when the San Francisco stake mission was assigned that responsibility, and President Robertson released.

President Mauss was called to head the Japanese Mission May 30, 1949; had a family farewell in the Oakland chapel in July and sailed on the President Cleveland for Japan September 6. He formerly served as bishop of Oakland Ward. The Mauss's have been in charge of missionary work in the Philippine Islands and Korea. To this responsibility Pres. Robertson will have added Hong Kong.

Mrs. Ethel Mauss has served as president of the Relief Society work under President Mauss, and with her talent for singing has been a help in many ways. Peggy and Armand served terms as missionaries in Japan while their father has been presiding. They have always been busy in Church duties.

Peggy Mauss returned from Japan, was married in the Hawaiian Temple, and now resides in Logan. Armand has also married since the family moved to Japan, and has two children. He is currently reported as serving in the army intelligence service, and at night attending college and working for a degree which he will earn by the spring of 1954, if he chooses to remain in Japan to complete the college requirements in full.

Elder Vinal G. Mauss was born October 14, 1900 in Murray, Utah, twelve miles south of Salt Lake City. He filled a mission to Japan 1922-24; married Ethel Wallace, moved to Long Beach in 1931 and to Oakland in 1936. In 1946 he became bishop of Oakland Ward and was so serving when called to the Japanese Mission presidency. He engaged in real estate and mortuary work before leaving Oakland.

It has not been announced when the Mauss family will return. Besides Peggy and Armand, they have with them a younger son Gordon, now in his teens.

Eureka Members Seek Genealogy

Herbert Bluhe of 2301 Union street, Eureka, Calif., is much interested in finding more of his ancestors. The family name is variously spelled Bluh, Bluhe, Bluh and Blauche.

Mary Smith, 274 South Hilldale street, Eureka, would like information regarding Robert Morrison, born 1674.

Suffers Broken Jaw

Fred Miskin, formerly of Oakland Ward, was the victim of a last week in August of an auto head-on collision with another car in the state of Washington, where he has resided for approximately one year. In the accident, Elder Miskin's jaw was broken and his car demolished.

He was operated upon at the Olympic Memorial hospital at Angeles, Washington, the town where he is employed.

Tight Binding

OAKLAND STAKE NEWS

A DAY IN OAKLAND STAKE
Hayward, Centerville, Castro Valley Boast Near 2000 Members

By ISAAC B. BALL

Hayward Ward with 900 members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Castro Valley Ward enrolling 800 members, while the building Centerville Branch now names 150 within its wide-spread confines—that is the lively picture of the Church as we saw it Sunday, August 16, in the eastern, the fastest growing section of Alameda County's Oakland Stake.

Plans already being discussed for three wards where now are Hayward and Castro Valley Wards; three building sites already purchased by the Church in prudent anticipation of the bulging requirements for future wards and a probable new stake in the are—this "fastest growing tip of Northern California" as it is called, is on it way for great spiritual and material expansion.

We were shown a seven-acre plot owned by the Church in the Centerville region, a five-acre site in Castro Valley, and another three or four acres near Hayward, all for future ward and stake centers.

Sacrament Services At Centerville

We met with the Centerville Branch at evening worship in a spacious and beautiful structure which that loyal membership has rented for its growing needs under the happy, inspired leadership of the Clyde Lindsays, the Dr. Robertsons and many other devoted and capable members.

For Sunday School it was our privilege to be picked up at our Berkeley residence early Sunday morning by the missionary couple, the Owen Stewarts, in good time to attend the ten o'clock session in Hayward's beautiful new chapel which nicely cares for the two-ward program of the Hayward and the Castro Valley units. It is more room than had entered the chapel that sunny sabbath day we couldn't see where they might have been seated. Yet a junior session was convened below us. Bishop Lamblin seemed to beam satisfaction and peace over that Sunday School assembly.

In the "investigator's eyes" we were called upon to address a group of recently baptized or soon-to-be baptized converts, all fruits of the prayers and labors of Owen and Mary Stewart. This couple, recently returned from a full-time mission in Illinois, have in their nine months' lavors as stake missionaries in the Hayward area, brought 12 souls to accept the Gospel of the Lord, and still have several others whom they contact in their service on to ten cottage meetings a week.

A 21-Plate Family Dinner

To fill to the brim the cup of pleasure for us this August Sunday in Hayward came the 21-plate mid-day family reunion meal at the home of the Stewarts. Here was a sanctuary already sacred in our memory because of the many times we had been entertained there in years past when as patriarch of the undivided Oakland Stake we had given gifts of blessings in the period when Owen Stewart served as bishop of the ward.

Oldest son, Stanley, a Sacramento Stake bishop and a busy junior college instructor, was at the dinner with his converted wife and their two young boys; but two other stalwart stake missionary sons, Bernard and Desmond with their wives and children were present and Mar-ilyn, the eldest daughter, came with her five and her husband, Ross McClelland, also a stake missionary and a large-scale builder of business structures. Only Nina, with her husband, living in Sacramento, was not present.

After the six o'clock service in Centerville where we had shared time on the program with High Councilman Dennis Lauper and a talk by McClelland came a peaceful and pleasant drive home with the Stewarts and the McClellands in Ross' Pontiac, stopping only to pick up melons and berries on the way home.

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Oakland-S. F. Beehive-Mia Maid Girls in Summer Camp

Over 100 Beehive and MIA Maid girls including staff from Oakland and San Francisco Stakes are participating in the first interstake summer camping program at Berkeley Cazadero Redwood Camp, Aug. 23 to 31. Swimming, hiking, horseback riding, boating, sports and games of all types are being enjoyed. Special hikes and campfire programs with talent shows, singing, dancing, skits, stories, and handicraft are part of each day's activities.

Special guests include stake presidencies and Y.W. stake presidents.

Many ward and stake leaders have worked enthusiastically and diligently to help the girls raise the necessary funds to make this camping experience possible.

OAKLAND STAKE CALENDAR

SATURDAY NIGHT DANCES—OAKLAND SECOND WARD.
SEPTEMBER

5-6—Stake Quarterly Conference.
15—M Men and Gleaner Luau.
17—MIA Stake Leadership.
17—M men-Gleaner Elections.
19—Bazaar, Oakland First Ward.
22—"MEET ME AT MUTUAL"
25—Golden Gleaner - Master M Men Night.
26—Stake Carnival.
29—Jr. M Men and Fathers; Jr. Gleaners and Mothers' Stake Night.

OAKLAND STAKE MIA.

Leadership Meeting Series Begins Sept. 17

The Oakland Stake Mutual is making preparations for an outstanding '53-'54 season. Enthusiasm among Stake Board members has been greatly heightened this past month by the visit of our General Board members Aug. 15. Their leadership and cooperation has always been appreciated.

September 17, 1953, will be the first of a series of Leadership meetings you can't afford to miss. This applies to every officer of ward mutual organizations. Please plan to be in attendance.

ROBERT LOANE . You'll hear more of him; The All-Church Championship Golf tournament was won by Robert Loane, a Primary member of Hayward Ward of the Oakland Stake. Sincere congratulations.

Baseball season has again come to an end. We are proud of the San Leandro team which ran off with Stake honors and won three Inter-Stake games before being defeated by Sacramento.

Read, and you will know; know, and you will love; love and you will serve; serve and you will, be happy.

SAN LEANDRO WARD:

San Leandro Wins Stake Softball Honor

By VERLA SANDSTROM.

Under the able leadership of Bro. Elwood Randle, manager and Sports Director of the team, the San Leandro Ward Softball Team forged ahead to become winner of the Stake Softball League, and placed third in the Division Championship, which brings them the award of winner's cup for the stake and also the Oakland City Recreation League Cup.

During the play-offs with Sacramento and Fresno, they played four games in one week losing only one of the four.

The regular Sunday evening fast day meeting for August was taken over by the Primary Association. The children of Primary age sang songs and gave talks and demonstrations. The Primary will include the Cub Scouting activities in their work.

Sister Donna Davidson, wife of Alan Davidson, Jr., who is serving with the U. S. Navy in Japan, bade farewell to her many friends of the San Leandro Ward and sailed to Japan to join her husband.

The Senior Fireside under the able direction of Brother and Sister Thomas Noble has grown from about eight members to almost 30 young people who attend each Sunday evening.

Appreciation is extended to the doctors of the area who have assisted with medical examinations and to Newell Christiansen of Chris Variety Store for obtaining merchandise to sell.

Camp Director, Rhea Gustavson is assisted by the following camp counselors:

Virginia Jones, president Hayward Ward; Ruth Howell, Y.W. president, Castro Valley Ward; Isabel Oxborrow, Y.W. president, Centerville Ward; Elena Monte, MIA Maid leader, Hayward Ward; Elaine Reid, Y.W. activity counselor, San Francisco stake; Pat Hilton, beekeeper, Oakland Fifth Ward; Myrtle Snarr, beekeeper, Oakland Fifth Ward; Marion Nelson, Y.W. age group counselor, San Francisco stake.

HAYWARD WARD.
Hayward Member Wins Church Golf Tourney

By CLEOMA OSTLER

Robert Loane returned from the LDS All-Church Gold tournament held in Salt Lake in July, and presented our ward with the trophy he won as championship golfer of the Church. It is on display in the chapel lobby and will remain in the ward until it is won by someone else next year. Brother Loane also received a beautiful trophy for his own collection.

● Ruth Wilson was presented with the Golden Gleaner Pin during Sacrament Meeting, July 12, by Beatrice Larsen, Stake Gleaner leader. The Golden Gleaner Chorus sang; Georgia Hawkins gave a reading, "Key to Golden Gleaner Pin." Blaine Wilson, Ruth's husband, was given the Master M Man pin at Sacrament Meeting two weeks earlier.

● At the stake pioneer celebration the pioneer pageant was sponsored by the Sunday School; our ward presenting an act representing the Mormon Battalion. Georgia Hawkins of the MIA directed. Douglas Larsen was Brigham Young; John Goleeke, the scribe; and Bryon Rinstrom, Captain Allen.

Bee Hive Girls and MIA Maids

● A very successful pot luck dinner to raise money for the Russian River Camp-Out, the end of August, was sponsored by the Bee Hive Girls and MIA Maids August 10, with Bryon Rinestrom as M. C.

An election by Betty Jo O'Rourch, well-known concert organist from Hawaii, was delightful. As a result of the dinner, 13 girls will be going to the Camp-Out from our ward, chaperoned by Elena Monte, Bee Hive teacher, and Virginia Jones, MIA Maid teacher.

● Helen Ream, Relief Society president, wishes to remind everyone of the rummage sale which will be held later part of September. We have had splendid meetings during the summer and urge all women to attend.

LIVERMORE.

New Members, Births Add to Livermore

By BELLA McLAUGHLIN.

Growth within the Livermore Branch is doing wonders! The Robert Henderson's are another son. Also welcome into our branch the Reese Hodges; the Ericksons; the John Jelenhaus-ings; the Clementsons; Mary Lee and Robert; and the Smiths, Eugene, Julis, Kent, Mitchell and Geraldine.

We are not only growing but have had a little changing in the branch. Albert Cooper was released as second counselor to the president and was replaced by Russell Kern. Brother Kern was released as branch clerk and in that place John Starks was sustained.

In the Primary Faye Kern was released as president, being replaced by Georgia White. She has Sylvia Wardell and Mary Nelson as counselors. As teachers Joyce Meek was released and Lois Thinnes sustained.

Georgia White was released as first counselor in the Relief Society and was replaced by Eurma Neilsen. Sister White was released also as Sunday School secretary, being replaced by Miriam Edgren. Eurma Neilsen has become the new branch chorister.

The branch thanks those now released for the excellent work they performed in helping the growth of the Church here Also welcomed are the new officers.

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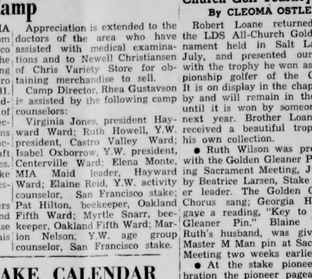

Kneeling, front row: Tony Bozich, Marc Lauper, Russ McBride, Wilford Nelson and Elwood Randle, manager and sports director. Standing: Myron Christenson, Bishop John Webster, Ted Fontana, Allen Barker, Joseph Dosal, Mal Duke, Elton Flaner, Frank Davis and Bert Leavitt.

CENTERVILLE BRANCH.
"The Disturbing Joy Of Elevated Thoughts"

By JEANETT McMASTER.

The spirit which disturbed Wordsworth with the joy of elevated thoughts was with us at Sacrament service August 16th when two speakers from the Oakland High Stake Council shared their counsels and Isaac B. Ball of Berkeley offered this stimulating thought of Wordsworth's. Dennis Lauper counseled us on Mormon behavior. Ross McClelland suggested: "Man is that he might have joy—the joy which comes from righteous living and service to others." The week before Edward Maughan advised us to build up a knowledge of the scriptures and gospel as a testimony which would sustain us in time of need. Other speakers at our Sacrament Services this past month were: Andy Hunt, Brother Borges, Artis Cazier, Myrna Green and those on the Primary program on August 2nd under the direction of Artis Cazier, Isabel Sexborrow, Myrtle Gibson and Rose Winkel.

Eleven Mutual girls swam and played through a week's vacation starting August 24th at a camp on the Russian River. This culminated an amazing fund-raising campaign which paid a large part of their expenses. Their last event was a pot-luck dinner held July 22nd which brought in $12. Eight bustling members of Relief Society met on August 12th with their eight children and tied two quilts; then worked on plastic jackets.

James Robertson has been appointed head of our corn project. Grade AA corn from our Sunday school property is being sold for 25c per dozen.

A baby boy was born August 10th to Theresa and Pratt Truscott of Hayward Ward, son of Cecil and Ray Truscott of Newark. It was another little girl who appeared in the family of Burma and Edward Maughan of Newark on August 2, 1953.

Sustained on August 16th: Brian Lindsay as teacher and George Galding as assistant Sunday School Superintendent, in place of Johnny Linder, released.

Janette McMaster will move soon to Salt Lake City with her family. She will enter the University of Utah to prepare for social service work.

The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the Lord: but the prayer of the upright is his delight. Prov. 15:8

A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken. Prov. 15:13

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OAKLAND STAKE NEWS.

Oakland Stake Quarterly Conference Assembles Sat.-Sun., September 5-6

The Oakland Stake Quarterly Conference will convene September 5th and 6th. The ten o'clock Sunday session will be held in the Scottish Rite Auditorium; the Saturday and Sunday evening sessions will meet in the Oakland chapel, Sunday night being at 7 p.m.

President Delbert F. Wright announces the following dates for ward conferences:

October 18—Alameda and Castro Valley.
October 25—Centerville, Hayward and Livermore.
November 8—Oakland, Oakland 3.
November 15—Oakland 4, Oakland 5, San Leandro.

Oakland Stake Seminaries

Latter-day Saint seminaries are to be organized this fall for all LDS high school students in Oakland Stake, starting about September 10. It is announced that classes will be held in the chapels of Oakland Second, Oakland Fourth and Oakland Ward as well as at Castro Valley and Hayward.

Excellent teachers have been engaged for these classes.

Pres. Hilton Again on Duty

Our beloved former stake president and now Stake Patriarch Hilton is on duty again after a short visit to one of the hospitals. Robert Paine is our other stake patriarch.

Hospital Admittances Listed

Who's who in the hospitals! Vilate Pearce ,mother of Mildred Mildred Fontana has been in a hospital for four years and now sends greetings to all her many friends, and thanks the many who come to see and cheer her. Patriarch Hilton spent a short time in the hospital and feels fine. Elton Beebe was in the Navy hospital. Anna Parrish's daughter is in the Kaiser hospital in mid-August.

Wallace Toronto Preaches Here

Wallace Toronto, former president of the Czechoslovakian Mission ,addressed members of both the Oakland Third and Oakland Fourth Wards August 9. He told graphically of the suffering of our saints in Europe; also of the miraculous deliverance from prison of some of our mission-aries. He admonished us to remember our great blessings in this choice land.

Fifth Ward Relief Society Busy

Semi-monthly, Oakland Ward Relief Society holds a work meeting at the home of Veda Linford preparing for the fall bazaar to benefit the ward building fund.

European Traveloq in Alameda

A delightful European travelogue was presented at the Alameda chapel before the Relief Society August 18 by Carol Durham. Lantern slides from other wards augmented the audience.

Stake Cannery Inspected

William Campbell, canning supervisor for the General Welfare Committee, visited here and saw the Oakland cannery in operation putting up string beans.

Grace Fletcher Suffer Stroke

Word comes from the San Francisco home of Milton Fletcher, that Grace Fletcher, his mother and Harry Fletcher's wife, has recently suffered a stroke. She has the best of care.

WANDA FAE WILCOX

Wanda Fae Wilcox, A Nurse

The Highland Hospital graduated 57 nurses from its School of Nursing in exercises held in the concert hall of Mills College August 8. Wanda Fae Wilcox of Alameda Ward was among the happy graduates receiving honors. Fae is a Gleaner girl of many talents. She recently announced her engagement to Gerald Gamble with wedding will take place. Gerald has had the pleasure of converting his own brother.

L. N. Hoopes with Secty Benson

The Oakland Tribune of August 19 displayed a picture of Elder L. N. Hoopes, former Oakland Stake high councilor, and official of Medical of Safeway Stores. The article in the Tribune stated he had accepted the office of executive assistant to Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson in Washington, D.C.

Brother Hoopes came to Oakland from Twin Falls, Idaho, and held high positions with the Safeway company here. He was transferred within the last few months to Denver to take charge of the district office there for the company. He is a graduate of the U. of U. He and his wife, Stella, have two children, David and Janette. The Hoopes' home has been purchased by Manton Moody.

OAKLAND WARD.

Lt. D. J. Larson Takes a Bride

By MRS. F. C. HIGHAM.

On September 1st at Stone, Idaho, Verdeen Roe will become the bride of Lt. Darwin J. Larson, formerly of Price, Utah. Lt. Larson expects his discharge in December, after which they will reside in Salt Lake City where the groom will complete his studies at the University of Utah. Verdeen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Ray Roe of Stone, Idaho, and has been living with her sister, Mrs. Gerald Palmer, here in Oakland, where she has been an active MIA worker.

MIA is better than ever this summer. On August 4th the entire ward attended the Indian Pow-Wow held at the Padre Camp in Tilden Park. Following supper there were games for all ages and to make the evening perfect there was singing around the campfire.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard D. Johnson are the new leaders for the M Men and Gleaners. We're happy to welcome this fine family into the ward.

The Primary had an outing at Temescal Lake. The highlights of the day were the wienie roast at lunch time and games.

The Relief Society is meeting each Tuesday to sew for the "biggest ever" Old Fashioned Bazaar and Carnival which will committee.

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San Francisco Stake Has New Sunday School Superintendent

San Francisco Stake has a new Sunday School superintendent, George Wesley Tolley, formerly serving as superintendent in Sunset Ward. He succeeds Dale Evans. At present Brother Tolley has not selected his counselors, but members of the board who will continue under his leadership are Bessie Shetter, Gertrude Heiss and Jennie Starkey.

Plans are being made by class enlistment secretaries to make attendance on September 13, 100 per cent Sunday, reach a new high record. The annual "Dime Sunday" comes September 20. The small envelopes will be given out at that time. Those who take them home to put in a dime, are to return them the next Sunday.

A very large representation of San Francisco MIA workers attended the six-stake convention held in Berkeley, Saturday, August 15. The following day, Sunday 16 with Palo Alto, a day apart from the General MIA board were divided to speak in the different wards of San Francisco Stake. Veda Bramwell, Stake YWMIA president, announces several changes in her board. Afton Hall, MIA Maids, and Maurine Henricksen, Bee Hive, are leaving the board. New members are Irene Laycock, Gleaner supervisor, Marilyn Larkin, Bee Hive speech director. Elaine Reed, the able activity counselor, was set apart several months ago.

Primary

The Stake Primary board is to be entertained at dinner at a very delightful buffet dinners for ward and stake officers and teachers, and their partners, held September 21, by the bishoprics. There will follow by a few days the first preparation meeting of the fall, to be held September 21, at 10 a.m. The Primary has had the usual turn-over of board members. Ruby McDonald, former counselor to Vivian Neff, has been released. Helen Noyes, Gertrude Young and Verna McDonald, all of whom have moved from the city. New members are Merle Dorius, guide for scouts; Gladys Davis, sea gulls; and Cleo Lambert, beginners.

The Stake Primary now sponsors the new Cub program. Three meetings have been held to develop leadership of the packs. Dr. Mar McGregor, High Council advisor of the Primary and Ed Howard, advisor of the MIA, with Roger Kraft, chairman, and Virginia Pearson, Merle Dorius and Merle Morris make up the committee which will correlate Cub, Scout and Explorer programs in the stake.

The Stake Relief Society has some interesting new plans for the year. These will be discussed at the first union meeting of the fall to be held September 10 at 10 a.m. in the Stake House. Thelma Curtis, an excellent pianist who is living in Mission Ward while her husband, Dr. Clifford H. Curtis is doing residence work at Stanford Hospital, has been called to be stake organist.

The Murrays Receive Visitors

President and Sister Murray have had two of their children visiting with them during the summer. Their daughter, Alvaretta Murray who is head of the choral music of the upper grades and high school of Punahou Academy in Honolulu, flew home to visit her parents before and after attending the Fred Waring Workship in Pennsylvania.

Charles L. Murray, who entered the Air Force immediately on his return from a mission to the Central Atlantic States, spent three weeks in August with his family. He is in the Medical Division and is stationed at Indian Springs, Nevada, where the atomic tests are being held.

Several members of the Relief Society board are vacationing at present. Jacketta Quealy, special activity, is in the Hawaiian Islands, Alice D. Green of the social science department is in Salt Lake City for a few months. She will not return in time for the first union meeting. Her class will be conducted by A. Raymond Christiansen. Mabel Liddell is in Salt Lake City where she is doing genealogical and temple work for a few weeks.

The Winters Visit In East.

On September 16, Gladys and Stephen Winter are leaving for a wonderful trip east. In Ft. Wayne, Indiana, Brother Winter will attend a General Electric convention and later in Washington will represent his company as West Coast representative at a rural electrification program meeting. In between times they will visit their daughter, Louise Winter, who is a leader in the Little Theatre and Summer Stock movement in Boothbay, Maine. She is an outstanding actress as well as treasurer of Boothbay Playhouse, Inc., a successful venture in managing theatricals. They will return to San Francisco early in November.

Scouts

San Francisco was proud of her 300 Boy Scouts who attended the National Jamboree. Eight buses carried the boys and their leaders to their destination and ten days later brought them home. Twelve Mormon boys attended, six of whom were from Sunset Ward. Troop 320, whose leader is Harry Raub, Buddy Pyle, age 12, gives his report as follows:

National Boy Scout Jamboree
By John E. Pyle.

The National Boy Scout Jamboree was an encampment of over 50,000 Scouts and their leaders, from all over the United States and 17 foreign countries. It was held at Irvine Ranch, off Newport Beach, California.

There were numerous activities for the boys during the Jamboree. There were eight campfire areas where shows were held by radio, TV, and movie stars from Hollywood.

One of the big highlights of the Jamboree was the Latter-day Saints service, directed by Presiding Bishop Wirthlin from Salt Lake. Oscar A. Kirkam gave a fine talk. There were Scouts from all over the United States, members of the church, that took part.

Vice-president Nixon visited our service. He said that ever since he woke up he wanted to visit our service on the hillside. The whole hillside was covered with Latter-day Saint Scouts.

It was a thrilling experience for every boy who attended the Jamboree.

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3—Thurs.—7:00 p.m.—Stake Melchizedek Pr. Comm. Meeting.
7:00 p.m.—Stake Aaronic Pr. Comm. Meeting.
8:00 p.m.—Stake Presidency and High Council.
5—Sat.—6:30 p.m.—Baptismal Service at the Stake House.
6—Sun.— Fast Sunday.
8—Tues.—7:45 p.m.—Stake Presidency meeting.
13—Sun.—2:30 p.m.—Stake Welfare meeting of Stake and Ward Welfare Committee.
15—Tues.—7:45 p.m.—Stake Presidency meeting.
17—Thurs.—7:00 p.m.—Stake Melchizedek Pr. Comm. meeting.
7:45 p.m.—Heads of Auxiliary organizations, Stake Presidency and High Council.
20—Sun.— —Sunset Ward Conference.
21—Mon.—7:45 p.m.—Monthly Stake Priesthood meeting.
22—Tues.—7:45 p.m.—Stake Presidency meeting.
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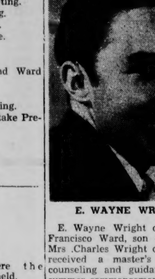

E. WAYNE WRIGHT

E. Wayne Wright of the San Francisco Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs .Charles Wright of that city, received a master's degree in counseling and guidance at the summer commencement exercises of the Brigham Young University, August 21, 1953. His mother attended the program.

A graduate of Lowell High in 1943, Wayne gave two years in the Armed Services, followed by 33 months in the Hawaiian Mission. He enrolled at the "Y" September, 1949, met and married Maxine Harmon of Rigby, Idaho, a BYU graduate nurse.

Elder Wright will enroll this September at the University of California at Berkeley on a fellowship basis. Previous to the festivities the family camped at Pillsbury Lake for a few days.

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OAKLAND FOURTH.
It's a Small World: Two Met Face to Face In Buckingham Palace

By GERRY LARSEN.

It's a small world, according to Gill Larsen. As he was watching the changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace, he turned around in the huge crowd and came face to face with his cousin, Jay Summerhays of Fresno. Neither boy knew the other was in London.

Our genealogical committee is functioning nicely and will be happy to help anyone who needs assistance with their research and records.

LeRon Green has been confined to the hospital for several weeks. His children from out of town and a sister ,Ada Neilsen, of Salt Lake City, have been here to visit.

Troop 4 of the Boy Scouts of America will camp at Russian River for a week. Eleven boys and some fathers and Mutual committeemen will be in the group.

Bro. and Sister Forsman are off to a three-week Canadian vacation.

Glen K. Shaw has been made company baker at Ft. Lewis, Washington. He recently spent a few hours in the hospital after a losing battle with thugs who took his pay check and watch.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Bonta of Los Angeles spent several days at the home of her parents ,the C. A. Williams. They were in attendance at the reception for the Nicholsons. Previous to the festivities the family camped at Pillsbury Lake for a few days.

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MISS KARMA WRIGHT.

Miss Karma Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Wright of the San Francisco Ward, became Tooele County's new home demonstration agent in July of this year. Her mother accompanied her to Tooele.

Karma is a 1953 graduate of the Brigham Young University at Provo, Utah, where she majored in clothing and textiles. She is an accomplished pianist and a member of the Gamma Phi Omicron, an honorary home economics sorority.

WALNUT CREEK.

Sunday School Reorganized Two New Counselors

By VERA MAYFIELD

On Sunday, August 16, 1953, the Walnut Creek Ward Sunday School was reorganized. Mark R. Bickley, now a Stake Missionary, was honorably released as 1st Counselor to Supt. Charles Finnell. Richard G. Miller was sustained as 1st Counselor and Avril D. Sumison was sustained as 2nd Counselor.

Preparations are going forward in the Relief Society for the Bazaar to be held October 15, in the Women's City Club. Extra work days are being called to finish all articles that are being made. Some of the ward are being asked to donate one article for selling.

A special invitation is going out to the women of the ward to attend Relief Society this year at 10 o'clock every Thursday morning, beginning with the opening party October 1, at the Women's City Club. The schedule of meetings are the same as previous years.

During the summer the guide patrol of the Boy Scouts have been swimming at the Chamberlain pool in preparation to passing their test in swimming for their tenderfoot badge. The following boys have successfully passed: Ronald Greene, Ronny Everett, Victor Finnell, Mark Chamberlain and Donald Lee.

The Primary is selling boxes of birthday cards, occasional cards, gift wrappings, and note paper to help raise money for the ward chapel. Those who desire some other articles may contact any of the Primary children.

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What Makes the Latter-day Saints So Progressive and Happy?

Why has President John Taylor's prophecy come true regarding Zion eventually excelling in learning? While Utah was but a sagebrush State, educationally speaking, this scholarly leader of the saints predicted :

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"You will see the day that Zion will be as far ahead of the outside world in everything pertaining to learning of every kind as we are in regard to religious matters."

And the prophet-leader challenged history by adding: "You may write it down and see if they do not come to pass."

How soul-satisfying it is today, 75 years after the prophecy was recorded, to read of the national leadership generously accorded Utah and the Church in general in educational and intellectual fields. One recalls particularly the excellent high school and college enrollment, high public expenditures for education and also Utah's superior standing in Who's Who and in similar listings.

We repeat, "What makes the saints so progressive and happy?" One supreme answer suggests itself; namely, **the saints are ahead in religious matters.** From this divine fountain flows light and truth. Jesus stated a generalized truth, often quoted but not always appreciated, when He declared: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and all else will be added."

If one were asked to be more specific, two direct causes for the Latter-day Saints' progress intellectually and in happiness come readily to mind, first, the gift of the Holy Ghost whose specific mission is to lead into all truth, and second, revealed gems of challenging doctrine, such as, the glory of God is intelligence, seek learning by study and by prayer, and, as God is, man may become, and scores of others.

Only a beginning has been made, no doubt. The future 75 years will see further pleasant proofs of the correctness of President Taylor's prediction that our people are destined to lead the human family along the main lines of excellence "in things pertaining to learning of every kind as we are in regard to religious matters."

And O how joyously we ascribe the glory to our heavenly Father, to our Savior who revealed the Father, and to the Holy Ghost, who leads into all truth.

The Book of Mormon: What it Means to Me

Thoughts on the First Visit of the Angel to the Prophet

FIVE THINGS THE BOOK OF MORMON MEANS TO ME—five things and many more.

First. The Book of Mormon means sublimity: the holy, pure, good, true, and beautiful exist on that divine level. An angel, Moroni, came from the realms of glory, a radiant, glorious being dwelling in the very presence of Divinity. The eternal world is real, as real as the temporal.

Second. It means communion, the human with the divine: an angel, a resurrected person, Moroni, communicated to a plain mortal youth messages from the Lord God whom he officially represented. A humble, human prayer was answered; a world-wide need was met and supplied: a human was melted in joy, his soul "by communion raised from earth to heaven, from human to divine."

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Third. It means truth, is eternal: amid all the uncertainties and perplexities of life and the multitudes of well-intentioned but conflicting systems of so-called truth, now at last a being from the bosom of eternity brought light, a flood of light, upon the path of truth. The restored Gospel is actually heaven's way to heaven. This is really, really true.

Fourth. It means a divine Church: a fellowship of humble humans working joyously together in harmony, divinely guided towards an eventual, perfect human-divine society of the blest, each seeking the interest of his neighbor.

Fifth. It means joy unspeakable here and hereafter; In the words of Alma: "And because of your diligence and your faith and your patience with the word in nourishing it that it may take root in you, behold, by and by you shall pluck the fruit thereof which is most precious; which is sweet above all that is sweet, and which is white above all that is white, yea, and pure above all that is pure; and ye shall feast upon this fruit even until ye are filled, that ye hunger not, neither shall ye thirst." (Alma 32:42)

General Conferences of the Church

What makes the Conferences of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints so unique and powerful?

In the first place, the local presiding officers in the Mormon Church are appointed and released, not by the initiation of local boards of trustees, but by the General Authorities, with the approval of the local congregations by popular vote.

Again, there is the distinct authority of prophets, seers and revelators to the whole church residing in the General Authorities in doctrine and practice.

And financially, the tithes and offerings all pass under the control of the General Authorities and are then allocated to the local units for general church needs.

Spiritual Values Of Funerals

By E. L. Howard (S. F. Stake)

Dearest Daughter:

Three things a funeral sermon can do—testify to the goodness of the loved one—present his family with honor in his name—point out some spiritual values that will be of some comfort to those left behind. Perhaps, at this late hour I can work a little on the last duty of the preacher.

"But behold it was appointed unto man to die." Our first parents were cut off from the presence of the Lord both temporarily anr spiritually. "Now, behold it was not expedient that man should be reclaimed from this temporal death for that would destroy the great plan of happiness." The soul of man can never die and God, Himself atoned for the mortal man brought by Adam's fall. He brings mercy into the way to satisfy the demands of justice. Thus the soul of man is again united with the body, and the soul is housed in flesh and bone forever. The gift of happiness demands that we experience things sweet and bitter. To know eternal life a temporal death is the test we must all pass.

I have been reluctant to believe that men are destined in all they do in this life. I don't like to think that some power beyond my ken might cut my life short at his own pleasure. Yet, there is no doubt that God does in some measure control our destinies. Paul tells us we are predestined as to the time and limits of our habitations. It is at the call of God that we are born in this or some other year. He assigns us to our field of life. You and I with others find ourselves, by eye and appointment, in this favored land and part of a chosen generation. With God all is as one day, time is only measured unto man. While we view our life's span here through a clock and calendar, our Father calls his children to life's task in terms of eternity. It is this difference of view that clouds our understanding of why some lives are of shorter duration than others. I have found no sure evidence that each child of God has an appointed hour with death. I am persuaded that each righteous man will live the full measure of his call to life. Death is his release from this world misionfield.

Like all mission releases this one from our world implies that the Son will return home better able to serve his God and fellows. We surely can believe that the righteous man will be put to a better work. What would be called paradise. There have been a few men who have known plainly the meaning and purpose of this call to live. Some like the prophet Abinidi, could obey the executioner knowing life's call would not end until its purpose was accomplished. Others like grandfather have prayed for a release, feeling they had lived beyond the assignment given in their youth. But in every case these "Andersons," Postmaster Trevithick admitted that he may always be unknown. However, Mr. Trevithick says he's sure that somehow Tommy's letter actually was "delivered." — Deseret News, August 4, 1953.

Joseph Smith's First Uttered Prayer

By ANN FLORENCE CROCKETT, Berkeley Second Ward

Via Salt Lake Post Office: Dear Lord:

Somewhere in Salt Lake City a little boy is awaiting an answer to a letter which didn't get any further—at least through regular channels—than the Salt Lake City post office.

Thursday, a Tommy Anderson mailed a letter in an airmail envelope with a three-cent stamp. A postal clerk looked at Tommy's letter and stamped it "insufficient address," for the address read:

"To the Lord,
Heaven.

The letter went to the dead letter office, but Assistant Postmaster J. W. Bambrough thought Postmaster David R. Tre- **Dear Lord: Help My Mom Get Better. Please. Tommy** pi vithick should look at it.

Opening the letter, Mr. Trevithick read the penciled words on a small sheet of paper:

"Dear Lord: Make my mom well. Please."

It was signed "Tommy."

Anxious as he is to find the identity of Tommy Anderson among the many Salt Lake City "Andersons," Postmaster Trevithick admitted that he may always be unknown. However, Mr. Trevithick says he's sure that somehow Tommy's letter actually was "delivered." — Deseret News, August 4, 1953.

BRIGHAM YOUNG COUNSELS ON ESSENTIALS OF EDUCATION

Educational problems beset the nation today, both as to the true philosophy or basis of education, its financial support and its scope. Hence these wise words from a modern prophet are repeated as pertinent to California and all states.

Teachers To Pray

By BRIGHAM YOUNG.

"Let our teachers ask the Father, in the name of Jesus, to bestow upon them and upon their scholars the Spirit of wisdom and intelligence from heaven.

"Ask for skill and ability to teach on the part of the teacher, and willingness to be controlled and adaptability to be taught on the part of the scholars. . ."

Good Teachers Important

By BRIGHAM YOUNG.

"A good school teacher is one of the most essential members of society; he relieves parents, in part, of a great responsibility and labor. We should see that we make the business of school teaching a permanent institution, and the remuneration should be (adequate) in amount. . . . Could I have my way I would introduce into our system of education every real improvement."

Scope of Education

"Learn everything that the children of men know, and be prepared for the most refined society upon the face of the earth.

"Then improve upon this until we are prepared and permitted to enter the society of the blessed—the holy angels, that dwell in the presence of God. . . .

"We want every branch of science taught in this place that is taught in the world. But our favorite study is that branch which particularly belongs to the elders of Israel; namely, theology. Every elder should become a profound theologian; should understand that branch better than all the world."

Los Angeles Temple Employs On Construction 140 Workmen

An early July report states that a mild winter has meant few delays in construction work on the Los Angeles Temple at Santa Monica and Selby in West Los Angeles. Walls of the great edifice now rise to a considerable height, giving promise of a great building and stirring the interest of passers-by.

Approximately 140 workmen are busy at the temple site each working day.

The temple will be of reinforced concrete, faced with glistening cast stone, as designed by Church Architect Edward O. Anderson, who is now residing in Los Angeles to act as architectural supervisor of the building.

The property, long owned by the Church, was formerly the Harold Lloyd estate. The Lloyd home still stands and is being used as office quarters during the construction period.

It is expected that the temple will be finished within a four-year period. Ground was broken September 22, 1951, and construction began in 1952. A Mission Home for California Mission headquarters will also be built on the site and work has begun on that building. The recently dedicated Westwood Ward chapel is located on property to the north of the temple site, facing Ohio avenue.

Southern California Church members have pledged more than a million dollars to the Temple building fund, just a quarter of the cost of the planned construction.

Regional Genealogy Committee Formed

The five bay-area stakes of Palo Alto, San Jose Oakland, San Francisco and Berkeley sent representatives Sunday afternoon, August 23, to a meeting of their respective genealogical committees held in the Palo Alto Ward chapel.

The group met at the initial suggestion of Jesse Marshall, chairman of the Palo Alto Stake committee. After discussion of the benefits that could come from a five-stake organization of this kind to meet occasionally for sharing experiences and for a more united approach to our genealogical committee work, it was decided to appoint a committee to recommend future action.

The committee now consists of Jesse Marshall, chairman, Luke M. Robinson, Oakland Stake president's committee head, secretary, and the other stake heads, members. Another meeting of the inter-stake group will assemble at the call of this committee.

Group Canning Flourishes In Berkeley Stake

Pantry and basement shelves of many families in seven wards in Berkeley Stake are heavier by over 50,000 pounds on account of the bottled fruit and vegetables, 27,500 cans of fruits and meats filled at the stake cannery during July and August.

Besides canning the welfare budgets to date, groups of families of one ward at a time, have kept the kettles hot and the tables lined with busy, white, capped peelers, stoners and cutters, preparing the apricots, apples, peaches pears, chickens and beef processing in the huge hot water caldrons.

Guardian Angels Duties Described

Orson Hyde is quoted in Volume seven of the History of the Church as he spoke at a conference of Seventies in Nauvoo December 30, 1844:

"Our Prophet has been slain, and the burden of the kingdom has fallen upon us (the Twelve), and on our lives are sought after. But while the angel that admonishes to man is still in attendance his life is protected for the guardian angel is stronger than death; but when he is without humanity is easily overcome. . .

"Hence it is with the Son of God, while upon the cross, that even he, the Savior of the world could but exclaim:

"My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me!" referring to the protecting angel whom the Lord had called away, leaving Jesus in the arms of death that he might be taken away from this world of misery and pain

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GOINGS AND COMINGS

BALBOA WARD.

Corporal David H. Simister, serving with the U. S. Army in Okinawa, reports that he has found a good branch of the Church there, and has already been visited by the branch teachers, spoken at sacrament meeting and participated in MIA.

From the Yokahama Branch of the Japanese Mission comes a report that Douglas and Marilyn Allen are actively engaged in church work; Marilyn as Sunday school secretary and Relief Society teacher, and Doug as ward teaching supervisor.

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PLEASANT HILL.

Visitors from Hawaii have spent pleasant hours this summer in the home of Bob and Jo- anne Chalmers. Bob's parents, both born in Hawaii, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Chalmers Sr., have been properly enthralled with Pleasant Hill and their young grandchildren. Mr. Chalmers was here for three weeks, while Mrs. Chalmers left Saturday, Aug. 22, for the Islands after spending the summer months.

A member of the General Board of the MIA, Marie Stewart of Salt Lake City, was a guest this month at the home of her cousin, Ione Buskirk, and hubby Linton.

Don and Velda Coffin and young sons Brent and Tris look mighty fine after their two week vacation in Idaho and points west.

Recent visitors at the home of Lela and Jim Kaufman have included her niece and husband, M/Sgt. and Mrs. L. H. Jones, recently returned from duty in Japan to make their home in Vallejo; Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Daniels from Green River, Wyoming, and Mrs. Bill Ostrander from Los Angeles.

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BERKELEY FIRST.

Bishop Jarman and family spent a vacation in Jackson Hole country camping and fishing.

The J. C. Millers spent several weeks in Salt Lake City.

George Higham and family are spending their vacation at Lake Tahoe.

Neva Hill had visits this summer from her son Clyde and family from St. Louis. Charles and wife came over from San Francisco.

Steven and Jacqueline Corwall, now of Murray, Utah, stopped to see friends on their way to Palo Alto.

W. Glenn and Wanda Harmon visited Zion Canyon where Glenn Jr. is working as a clerk at the resort. They passed over Tioga Pass into Yosemite on the way home.

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BERKELEY 2ND.

Dilworth Brinton, formerly of Berkeley Ward, now with the New York Life at Mesa, Arizona, visited in Berkeley. They have three children.

Ivy and Irv Erickson are doing temple work in Salt Lake City. Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Ream and family are just back from Clear Lake. Barbara and Gordon Langlois and Lucille and Bill Cain are just back from a pack trip in the Sierras. Grace and Cliff Boyack are home from Cazadera, Berkeley's Camp, which Cliff has been directing for many summers.

Helen and Ralph Jensen are on a pack trip up in Lassen Park. Anna Lea and Glenn Spencer are spending a week in Yosemite. Janet and Ray Balmforth and family are camping at Wright's Lake. Phyllis and Rex Daniels are back from Salt Lake City, Spanish Fork and Iowa.

Charlotte and Ken Shepherd are returned from Yellowstone. Peggy and Lowell Flamm are back from Salt Lake. Elmeda and Harold McNamara were in Salt Lake for most of the summer. Edna and Milton Brinton are really taking life easy up at Yellowstone and Jackson Hole in their trailer.

SAN LEANDRO WARD:

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Bray returned after a 10-day trip the latter part of July to Utah, where Bro. Bray visited his parents, Bryce and Zion canyons, participated in a family reunion and also visited relatives in Logan.

Oakland Ward: The Heber Brown family have packed themselves up in a trailer and are now making the "grand tour" of the United States. They will end their tour by taking Phoebe back to Stevens College before returning home.

Oakland Third: Dorothy Kilner Perkins is now at her home at 1618 Normandie Circle, Hanford, after three years at Springville, Tulare County.

Vallejo First: Mr. and Mrs. Arend Wheeler and three children are vacationing in Utah and Tucson, Arizona.

● Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bannister and two, children spent an enjoyable vacation in Redding, California.

Chinese Branch: May and Helen Woo are vacationing in Southern California with their family.

Balboa Second Ward: Wallace Naimann has been home on a furlough visiting with his parents. His brother, Gordon, is now in the armed forces too. He is stationed at Ft. Ord. After both boys went back to their bases, Charles and Sally left for a trip to Southern California.

● Darlene Archer took a trip to Utah then to Idaho Falls to the wedding of her son. The Jack Pickfords and O. W. Okelberrys have been to Utah with their vacations and Raymond and Alice Cole have also been in Utah.

Hayward: Dasil and Kathleen Jones, the new counselor in the Bishopric) are moving to Gilroy, Calif., in September. Dasil will be teaching in the High School.

● Brother and Sister John Goleeke took a train trip to Idaho Falls. There they visited with Sister Goeleke's sister, whom she hadn't seen for 20 years. The main reason for the trip was for them to be sealed in the Temple.

● Sister and Brother Richard Smead drove to Salt Lake City in July to attend the marriage and reception of their son, Robert and his bride, Norma Mae Crowther, daughter of Mrs. George Crowther.

—CENTERVILLE BRANCH—

● James and Laverne Robertson with their five children, recently returned from a two week trip through southern Utah. After enjoying the beauty of Bryce, Zion and Grand canyons they joined the group making the Temple Grounds tour in Salt Lake City.

● Darryl Green spent his two weeks leave with his parents, Artie and Earl Green, during the middle of August.

Mrs. Burnham Carnahan of Newark has been visited this past month by her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. George Averett, her sister, Mrs. Lovell Wyoming, and her sister, Vera Kirby with her four children from Happy Camp, California.

● Rose and France Winkel returned August 16th from a ten days visit to Utah with five of their children. They attended the Thompson family reunion and then took the long way home through Yellowstone National Park and Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

● J. K. Lindsay, son of Pres. Clyde and Marie Lindsay of Newark, returned on August 15th to pick up his son, Brian, who has been spending the summer with his grandparents. J. K. Lindsay is doing special work for the government in Washington, D. C. Another Clyde of the Lindsay, Jr., who is with the medical section of the Army Air Corps, is spending a month with his parents before his departure for the far east. Orders to leave reached him two days after the armistice.

His family will remain here until he finds a place for them.

● Doris Whaley, daughter of Brother and Sister Eton, returned August 7th by plane with her three small children to her home in Alaska.

● Ruth and Johnny Linder and family spent the week end of July 15th back in their home town of Centerville prior to their departure for Arkansas.

● Isabel and Jed Oxberrow, with their two children, Catherine and Jed, Jr., escaped to Catalina on August 17th for a five days vacation.

San Rafael: Vacationers include Bob and Dotty Murdock, the Dale Mortons and the Ray Leiningers all Idaho minded. Ray and LoDonna spent several days in Sun Valley after their stay in Rexburg. Irel and Edith Stuart hope to attend the Idaho Falls and Salt Lake Temples before returning home. Al and Meryl Schroeder are vacationing in Wisconsin.

Concord Ward: Combining a vacation with time for temple work in either the Salt Lake, Manti, Logan or Hawaiian temples are the following: Mr. and Mrs. Duane Crooks, Mr. and Mrs. Wanda Roskelley, Christie Kearns, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hill, Sister Enid Broadbank and King Hinkley.

● Sister Marie Barber left for New York to visit with her daughter, Joan, who is in the teaching staff at Cornell University. They will do some extensive touring and will be at Palmyra for the beautiful pageant at the Hill Cumorah.

Martinez: The Gilmore Hughes family, the Jean Bulloughs, and the Neal Jean Coopers have returned from vacationing in Utah and the Boyd Dukes from Yosemite. Joy Braden spent some time in Yosemite, also with her parentso. William Jaggers went through the Idaho Falls Temple before going on to visit in Texas.

Joan Fletcher is enjoying a visit with her father, Tom Fletcher and Tui Smith of Los Angeles is the house guest of her sister, Berta Evenson. Werner Vom Dorp flew to Germany to visit his mother, while his wife is vacationing in Utah with her parents. The Glenn Robinsons are spending a week in Idaho.

SHOWERS

Walnut Creek: Baby showers were recently held for Virginia Uffens. They were given by Ione Buskirk, as a luncheon party and a miscellaneous party by Elaine Jensen and Verna Mayfield.

Hayward: A surprise stork shower was given for Ruth Wilson and Joann Phister, August 19th.

Mrs. Martin Jefferies gave a bridal shower for Norma and on August 19th Mrs. Richard Coleman, Mrs. Alex Olszowka and Mrs. Victor Grow gave a party in her honor.

WEDDING BELLS

OAKLAND WARD.

On Thursday, July 30th, Miss Joan Hitchen became the bride of Robert Garrard of Richmond, in a quiet wedding performed at the home of Bishop Frank C. Higham, who officiated. The bride's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Hitchen, who is here from England visiting her daughters, and members of the groom's family, were in attendance. The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Vern Fletcher and William Garrard was best man for the groom. After a brief wedding trip the couple have returned to Oakland to live and the groom will continue his studies at the University of Califortia.

Berkeley Second: Laura Summerhays is engaged to Jerry Stay. They are planning an October wedding. Laura is recovering from a recent operation.

● In the Salt Lake Temple Diane Thorne (of Pleasant Grove) and John Robert Brinton were married August 14th, 1953, and Rhean Harker married Keith Nielson Griffin, August 17th.

Martinez: Barbara Starr was married to Dale Christiansen in the Martinez Chapel, Bishop Evenson officiating. Reception followed at the home of the bride in Alhambra Valley. Mr. and Mrs. Christiainsen will make their home in Pittsburg.

Hayward: Jackie Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Bailey and Russell Lee Garrett, were married July 18, at Las Vegas.

● Norma Mae Crowther, the daughter of Mrs. George Crowther, and Ensign Robert Smead, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smead, were married July 10, in the Salt Lake Temple.

OBITUARIES

Oakland Second: Mrs. and Brother Lewis Boyle Jr., of Oakland Second Ward returned in mid-August from Provo, Utah, after attending the funeral of Mrs. Boyle's mother, Jetta Nedham.

Oakland Third: Linford Jones died August 15. The body was shipped to Payson, Utah.

Berkeley Second: Our sympathies are extended to the family of Sister Violet Ogden Gilman Robb ,who passed away on August 15.

Oakland Third: Lynn Mitchell Jones, 27, died August 15, 1953, at the Stanford hospital in San Francisco. Born in Payson in 1926, his funeral and interment also took place in Payson Third Ward. Lynn was graduated from the U. of U. in business administration with high honors. At the time of his death he was associated with a large firm of underwriters in San Francisco. He married Marita Ann Bodek of San Francisco, June 28, 1952.

San Francisco: John Y. Smith, 81, well known in Berkeley and San Francisco Stakes an authorative doctrinal Sunday school teacher and ardent student of the Book of Mormon, died Friday, August 21, in a hospital in San Francisco and was buried later in Salt Lake. While still living in Utah, Elder Smith served as a state senator, a banker and an industrialist of note. He sang with the Tabernacle choir for 20 years and as soloist frequently. He married Emerette Cutler in 1895. He was the son of Jesse Smith, and his lineage is one of the sons of the brother's of the Prophet's uncles. His mother was Mary Ann Prow.

RODEO BRANCH—

Carle Ann Pink, 11-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pink, Rodeo, died by accidental drowning in the Russian River, Sonoma County, August 10.

Carole was a convert in the Church and active socially and athletically among her classmates.

Her only brother, Frank, also a convert in the Church and now serving in the U. S. Navy in Guam, was privileged to return return home to attend the funeral services of his only sister.

BIRTHS

Alameda: Ruth and Eldon Beebe have a baby girl, born August 11.

Walnut Creak: Alma H. and Virginia Offens, a girl, born August 13. Bro. Offens is first counselor in the Walnut Creek Ward.

● Mark R. and Margie Brickley, a girl, born August 5.

● Darrell and Marjean Williams, a girl, born August 15.

Fairfield Branch: Wayne and Kathy Campbell Bovee, a baby boy, Raymond, born August 7.

Pleasant Hill: Lullabies are sung again at the home of Sterling and Doris Weaver are being sung for their new baby son.

INTERMOUNTAIN NEWS

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Wed., Sept. 23—Genealogical Society party, LDS Institute, 7:30 p.m.
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Fri., Oct. 2
Sat., Oct. 3—General Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah
Sun., Oct. 4
Fri., Oct. 9—M Men - Gleaner council elections
Sat., Oct. 10—Berkeley 2nd bazaar, Berkeley chapel
Sat., Oct. 10—Concord Ward carnival, Concord Ward
Mon., Oct. 12—Basketball league starts

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BERKELEY SECOND.

Elwood Merediths Move To Denver

By ANNA LEA SPENCER.

With great sadness we say goodbye to Elwood Meredith. Business changes takes them to Denver, Colorado. We shall miss your wonderful voice, Vera. Elwood has been an excellent stake clerk and missionary.

We wish to welcome into our ward Roma and Calvin Kuhre and young son, David, from Oakland.

We shall miss Barbara and Doug Pimentel and son, Jay, who have moved to Hayward. Their new address is 20647 Jane Ave., Hayward. Jay will be a school principal this year.

Auxiliaries Opening Dates

The opening schedules are as follows: Primary, Thursday, September 17 at 4 p.m.; MIA, Tuesday, September 8, at 7:30 p.m.

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We are happy to learn that Brother Claude Dewsnup is home from the hospital after his operation.

Save October 17th for the best and biggest Ward Bazaar yet!

Claremont Team Beats Napa, San Jose; Loses to Carmichael

The Berkeley Stake softball team came to a close July 30 with Claremont winning the championship by defeating Rodeo Ward 9 to 0 on the final night of play, and later playing Napa, San Jose and Carmichael. Those teams were champions of their respective stakes.

On August 5, Claremont played Napa Ward of Santa Rosa Stake and defeated them 14 to 7. Pitching by Scott Bybee, outstanding hitting by Neil Fausett and Scott Barret, with clever base running by Ted Kolb aided in the victory.

On Friday night, August 7, Claremont met San Jose Ward in the Division 12 semi-finals in an exciting game marked by good pitching and fielding by both teams. Claremont won by the close score of 3 to 2 to earn a spot in the division finals. Much of the credit for winning this game goes to pitcher Francis Ott who was aided by the hitting of Geod Millward and the fielding of John Baker.

The following night Claremont met Carmichael Ward of Sacramento Stake and went down in defeat by the score of 16 to 2. Carmichael displayed too much power as they outplayed Claremont in all departments. The one bright spot was by Art Wood who lashed out a long three base hit off Carmichael pitcher Ronnie Romero.

Carmichael went to Salt Lake City to play in the finals for all-church honors.

Berkeley Stake News

ELDERS' SIXTH QUORUM PARTY AT PITTSBURG'S NEW RECREATION HALL

The newly constructed recreation hall of the Pittsburg Ward was the setting for the most recent party of the Sixth Quorum of Elders. Bob Anderson, Pittsburg Group Leader and the Pittsburg Ward elders were hosts for the event which consisted of a pot-luck dinner followed by an entertainment and dance. More than a hundred elders and their guests from Martinez, Pittsburg and Concord were present to enjoy the meal and the dancing. Music was provided by the Concord Ward orchestra. The Sixth Quorum Presidency extends a special vote of thanks to Starr of Brockbank-Concord Group Leader, who was largely responsible for the arrangements and organization of the affair.

3rd Quorum of Elders New Counselor

Brother Lewellyn Jones of Concord has been called to fill the vacancy in the presidency of the 3rd Quorum of Elders.

Lewellyn came to Concord by way of San Mateo, Burbank, California, and La Crosse, Wisconsin the latter place being the community of his birth. He graduated from Burbank High School and later entered the Merchant Marine where he served three years during the war. Following his service Lewellyn entered the Woolworth company as an employee. He is presently employed by the Frank Campbell Company. wholesale seed distributor.

On June 7, 1943, he married Arlene Hatch at Burbank and they are now the proud parents of a son, age 8, and a daughter, 5. Congratulations, Lewellyn!

Stake Blood Bank Report

For the first time in many months the Berkeley Stake Blood Bank can boast a surplus of blood on hand for the use of our members. Brother Elmo Carr, chairman of the Stake Blood Bank Committee, announces that during the past month nine pints of blood have been donated of which three pints have been issued to stake members in need. This leaves six pints on hand for the use of stake members as needed. Six of these nine pints were donated by the Sixth Quorum of Elders. For August the Second Quorum of Elders will have their turn as donors.

273 Seventy Quorum Leads

According to a report recently released the 273 Quorum of Seventy led all other Melchizedek priesthood members in June in total points combining six standard activities, having 89 points out of a possible 100. The upper five quorums in points among the nine quorums in the stake were 273 Seventy, Fourth Elders, Sixth Priests, Sixth Elders and First Elders.

BERKELEY STAKE MIA.

"Meet Me at Mutual" Annual Special Nite Set For Sept. 22nd

Special invitations are being issued by most ward Mutual officers to Church members and their friends to attend "Meet Me at Mutual" night, set for Tuesday evening, September 22, or in some wards on Wednesday or Thursday, September 23 and 24.

Rapidly becoming a traditional event, "Meet Me at Mutual" night is held each year in every ward of the Church. The event gives Mutual officers and teachers an opportunity to offer a sample demonstration of MIA weekly activities and classwork to members and their communities.

Outstanding events will include a fine assemble program, classwork and a fun hour of dancing, music and drama.

Six New Board Members

Six new members have been added to the Mutual Improvement Boards of Berkeley Stake.

Added to the Young Women's Mutual board are: Verla Hodge, Special Interest Supervisor; Flora Sears, M Men-Gleaners Supervisor, in charge of manual activities; Fay Lloyd, Junior Gleaner Supervisor and Mary Wallmann, organist.

Glenn Spencer will serve on the Young Men's board as music director while Zendall M. Hale will serve as Scout supervisor.

Pres. Eisenhower Signed Cub Pack Charter

C. Ray Balmforth of Berkeley Second Ward, Scout Executive of the Berkeley-Albany District, Mt. Diablo Council, Boy Scouts of America, points to signature of President Eisenhower on charter presented to Cub Scout Pack 95, July 27, 1953. Examining the charter are Stake President W. Glenn Harmon and Stake Primary President Annetta Wood. Pack 85 is composed of boys of Claremont, Berkeley First and Berkeley Second Wards, and is the first cub scout pack in the Bay Area and one of the first in the Church.

RODEO BRANCH.

Wanlass and Fitt Families Vacation At Liahona Lodge

By UNA ELLSWORTH.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Cleon Fitt and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Wanlass and family returned from a vacation motor trip spent at the Liahona Lodge site in Northern California.

The Mutual held a pot luck picnic at Alvarado Park, Richmond, Tuesday, August 11. The group went on a hiking trip into the Berkeley hills.

On August 18, the young folks of Mutual went swimming in the Richmond Municipal plunge. After the swim a chili beans feed was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard L. Smith vacationed with their parents in Utah and Nebraska.

Gamma Rho Chi Girls to Reorganize At Stake Social

An evening of entertainment will be held Friday, September 13, at the LDS Institute, 2368 Le Conte avenue, Berkeley, by the Berkeley Stake genealogical committee of the stake for the girls of the stake between the ages of 13 and 18.

At this time a plan to reactivate the Gamma Rho Chi for the girls on a ward basis will be discussed and explained. Formerly this girls' club of genealogical accomplishments made visits to the various temples, kept beautiful Books of Remembrance, and become better acquainted with one another. It is now proposed to reorganize for these objectives, in as many wards as possible, states chairman Ronald Smith of the stake committee.

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BERKELEY STAKE NEWS

BERKELEY FIRST WARD

Scott Dunham Jr. Home From U. of U. Becomes Practicing Accountant

Scott and Janet Dunham and baby Christine Kaye have returned to the bay area after an absence of three years in Salt Lake City where Scott attended the University of Utah obtaining a Bachelor's degree in business administration. He is now practicing accounting with Haskins & Sells Co., in San Francisco.

• Bruce Merrill left Berkeley August 15th for Camp Kilmer, New Jersey; later he will go to Bremerhaven, Germany. Bruce is in the Army Medical Service Corps. He expects to stay in Europe at least two years.

• Denzel and Vida Allen and their son, Denzil, and their grandson, Mark, have spent the summer in Hawaii. They will return sometime in September.

New Ward MIA Leaders

• The YLMIA reports the completion of their officers' list for the year's work: Roma Sackett, president; Velda Johnson, age group counsellor; Laura Summerhays, activity counselor; Lucille Spencer, secretary; Pat Patterson, girls' program secretary; Verna Call, Gleaner leader; Kathleen Asay, junior Gleaner leader; Dorothy Ann Harker, speech director; Margaret Kimber, drama director; Gwen Squires, MIA Maid leader; Maurine Nicolaysen, assistant leader; Beehive Leaders, Harriet Young and Janet Mullinger; Myrl Coltrin, special interest leader. The opening social of the Mutual will be September 8th.

• Berkeley First Ward welcomes the following members: Mary Etta Casaday, Walter C. Carter, Charles G. Carter, Andrew P. Carter, Carline P. Brown, Connie Jean Bentley, Kenneth M. Hatfield, Debra B. Hubanks, Russell L. Watkins, Bobby F. Welch.

Connie Spark's Birthday

• On August 20th a party was held at the home of La Von Eyring in honor of the birthday of Connie Sparks. A group of Connie's church friends gathered, with gifts and refreshments; the party was a gay one. It's good to have Connie home again.

• Patricia Russell will teach this year at the Cragmont School in Berkeley.

PLEASANT HILL.

Work On Chapel Progressive Apace

By DORA FRIEDRICH.

Von Nielsen and Kenneth Krey, co-chairmen of the work committee, state that an average of 18 men from both wards are present for work on the chapel each evening with hammers, saws and shovels.

They stress, however, that more help is always welcome.

Saturday, August 22, the foundations were poured for the classrooms.

Continued and constant support of the building fund is needed to hasten the day when we will meet in our own chapel.

Bishop's Message

In living our lives we should always keep before us the fact that our future exaltation is dependent on what we do, think and learn here.

The importance of constant study and improvement is clearly indicated in the 130th section of the Doctrine and Covenants with the words: "Whatever principle of intelligence we attain in this life, it will rise with us in the resurrection. And if a person gains more knowledge in this life through his diligence and attendance than another, he will have so much the advantage in the world to come."

Let us be diligent;

—JOSEPH ROY HILTON.

Relief Society

The opening social of the Relief Society will be held in October. Lela Kaufman, president, states that it is hoped the new afternoon hours will enable more women to attend.

Primary

Greeting and Christmas cards, wrapping paper, stationery, and so forth, are being sold as a money raising project by Primary. Save your orders for them, won't you?

MIA

Fun and overnight camping at Curry Creek have been enjoyed during August by members of the Bee Hive, MIA Maids and Junior Gleaner classes accompanied by Lela Kaufman, Maxine Clark and Beva Barney.

Welcome, new MIA dance directors, Ed and Yvonne Phillips.

Released With Thanks

Georgia Dewey Williams from the Genealogical Society, and as ward chorister, and assistant chairman of the ward music committee. Her daughter, Jean, as enlistment secretary of Sunday School.

Joanne Chalmers, as ward organist, is to assume the duties of ward chorister.

Sister Williams and Jean are assuming their new duties as stake missionaries.

Patriotism consists not in waving a flag, but in striving that our country shall be righteous as well as strong.

In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust: let me never be ashamed; deliver me in thy righteousness. Bow down thine ear to me; deliver me speedily; be thou my stront rock, for an house of defence to save me. For thy art my rock and my fortress; therefore, for thy name's sake lead me, and guide me. Psalms: 31:1-3.

CONCORD.

Roof Over Classrooms Promises Early Use Of Concord Chapel

Concord Ward is really proud of the advancement they are making with their building. Altho the ground was broken June 20 yet they will soon be putting the roof on two wings of the classroom section. Let's get behind the ball and be out to help complete this work before the rains start.

The children of Sunday school and Primary have raggy banks. They donate what they want and are proud to say when they have enough for a lovely shrub for example for our new church yard.

Some of our new ward families who will be teaching in this school district this year are Vaun Wasman, Ernest M. Greenwood, Darrel J. Westover and Willard Knibb. Bert W. Marley will be teaching in Lafayette. Shell has several new clients added to its staff: Ben Holbrook and Keith Stevehens.

Only a year ago our membership was 476; now it approaches 600.

The Relief Society has been very busy preparing for their October bazaar. A potluck lunch featured quilting on a small baby quilt. A lovely social and work and business meeting was held at the home of Wilma Lee.

The Relief Society's opening social will be held September 22 at the Recreation Centre on Parkside at 8 o'clock. A potluck lunch of the ward are urged to come and have the best time ever.

Mutual

The Concord M.I.A. has kept the young and old alike busy this summer on Friday nights, playing basketball and volleyball. Every other Saturday we swim at the high school.

The monthly picnic was held at Pacheco Park. Softball and horseshoes were played the first part of the evening. After dinner and as dusk drew on a large fire was built and all gathered around for some fun at singing.

The boys of troop 168 that attended Wolfburro were: Jay Markham, Gary Maynard, Gordon Greer, John Thurston, Michael Slette, John Blood and James Bennett.

MARTINEZ WARD.

MIA 5-Ward Dances Now a Major Event

By ALVA MAE FORSYTH.

Report of Martinez Ward activities for July:

Sacrament Meeting Attend., 30%; Jr. Aaronic Priesthood Attend., 37%; Sr. Aaronic Priesthood Attend., 15%; Ward Teaching, 61%; Fast Offerings, 19%; Social Activity, 1%.

Everyone in Pleasant Hills, Walnut Creek, Martinez and Concord, who would like to meet new people and have loads of fun should lose no time in attending the MIA sponsored five-ward dances held every other Saturday night. This idea grew out of the five-ward New Year's breakfast held in the Martinez Ward; it has become a major event.

The MIA sponsored a Summeree at Rankin Park August 12. There was swimming, feasting on hot dogs and corn on the cob, and folk dancing.

BYU Achievement Award

Carla Polsen was presented an achievement award to BYU on July 25, in Sacrament meeting. This award consisted of tuition to BYU for the coming school year and was made possible by some of the members of the ward uniting together on this worthy project. Carla's church service record has been outstanding and she is most deserving of this recognition.

Shirley Perrins will also be attending BYU this fall and the Martinez Ward takes this opportunity to wish them well and to let them know we are proud of them both.

Turner as the blazer teacher.

The Primary welcomes Neatta Children are preparing to display their crafts at the Primary "Fall Festival." A circus parade with the rhythm band will be a big feature of the program.

The Relief Society August social meeting was held at the home of Mildred Abbott. Sewing was the main event of the evening.

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SANTA ROSA STAKE NEWS

Welfare Theme of Stake Conference

The importance of the welfare plan was the theme of the quarterly conference Sunday, August 23 with Elder El Ray Christiansen of the Quorum of the Twelve presiding and accompanied by Elder J. Leonard Love of the Church general welfare committee.

Stake President John L. Murdock told of his appreciation for the love and the sustaining work of the stake members, yet there are too many who are following the ways of the world regarding chastity.

He said, "There is too much pleasure seeking among our people as well as among others. No nation can rise above its weakest units and the home has long been recognized as the true basis of national strength."

He pleaded for chastity, for modesty in dress and more prayer.

Welfare Plan a Training

Elder Love said the welfare plan is a program of training for us. Under the gospel the parents are responsible for the children and then in the old age of the parents the children become responsible for them.

"If you truly love and believe the prophets of the Lord you now have on hand a one year's supply of the commodities needed for your living."

Elder Christiansen touched on the need of family night observance, on the need of greater fidelity and a more prayerful attitude.

"When we pay a full tithing we feel good. When we keep the sabbath holy we feel good. When we are submissive and humble we feel good. When we are righteous we feel good and we walk with strength and vigor and radiance."

Returned Missionary Paul Murdock told of the effect of the gospel on the lives of the Lamanite members in the Argentine mission.

Elder Bryant S. Knowlton

Bryant S. Knowlton of the stake presidency said there have been government practices in the past twenty years of which we do not approve, particularly in the field of welfare. By a supine dependence on state and national government instead of living as directed by revelation and by the gospel we lost some of our liberty, he said.

Recently returned from a mission in the southern states, Miss Bernice Scott, a Lamanite member at Stewart's Point, said she was thrilled to see the faces of the congregation.

"I know Joseph Smith was a prophet and that President David O. McKay is a prophet. I saw President McKay's countenance light up as he addressed us missionaries. I know he speaks by inspiration and that he is a prophet," she declared.

"I hope I shall never drift away from this church. In fact, I hope the Lord will take my life rather than let me live to leave the church," she concluded.

Complete Fast Offering

Elder Love said too many of us are just offering the Lord a tip rather than paying a full and complete fast offering. Such offerings are not acceptable to the Lord as it has always been the commandment of the Lord to offer up no imperfect thing.

"Keep the commandments. Pray with all your heart and soul and you will be blessed," he finished.

President Thomas S. Byrne told of attending the recent MIA conference in Salt Lake City. "My eyes were opened again and my heart was filled and I knew more than ever the divinity of the MIA work," he said.

"Let us live the welfare plan, let us get out of debt, let us obey all the gospel and in the degree that we do we shall be free, now and forever," he urged.

Sister Christiansen told the mothers to put love in their homes, to be tender and faithful and kind.

The inspiration to better living must come from some higher source than ourselves. Make it a habit to attend sacrament meetings with your family and friends. Enjoy a spiritual feast.

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VALLEJO FIRST.

Carl E. Kincaid Made Vallejo First Bishop

By LA RUE A. POWELL.

Presidents John Murdock and Thomas Byrne attended Sacrament services August 9 to sustain the new Vallejo Ward bishopric. Carl E. Kincaid was selected the bishop and his counselors are Philip S. Ferrin and Fred A. Wager. Ward clerk is Lawrence R. Stuart. Bishop Vern O. Newman (who has moved to Napa), Dee Powell and Glen Zundel, the former bishopric were honorably released.

Carl E. Kincaid, our new Bishop, was born in Glen Cove, Texas, April 18, 1914. In 1935 he moved to California. January 3, 1938, he was married to Chloris May, a childhood sweetheart. They have two sons, Dale and Ross.

While they were living in Fairfield, James A. Blaisdell and Allen B. Snowball, after frequent visits to the Kincaid home, converted them to the Gospel. On May 5, 1946, they were confirmed members.

Bishop Kincaid has served twice as Sunday school superintendent, as elders quorum secretary, Seventy president, and twice as stake missionary.

The Relief Society presidency, Florene Williams, Chorlis Kincaid and Ella Ingham, invite all ladies of the ward to the opening social and dessert luncheon on September 22.

Confirmations and Blessings

Mary Lou Thorpe, wife of Mark Thorpe, was confirmed a member of the Church, August 2, the same day that Mark's baby daughter Linda Ann, was blessed.

Shirley Ann Zundell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Zundel, was also confirmed on August 2.

Other babies blessed at the August 2 services were Jane Powell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Powell, and Elisha Latthrop, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Lathrop, and Ronald Kuhn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kuhn and great grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dusenberry.

Bishop's Message

I am greatly honored and humbled to be called as bishop of the Vallejo First Ward. I am blessed to have as counselors and ward clerk, Philip S. Ferrin, Fred A. Wager and Lawrence R. Stuart. We pray that as a Bishopric we may be an example to the people we are called to lead. We hope that with the cooperation of the people we will make this ward one of the leading wards in the Santa Rosa Stake.

Carl E. Kincaid, Bishop.

Local LDS Institute Opens

(Continued from page 1)

cers for this fall semester are:

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Bob Allison
Ellen Menke
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Julian Sanders
Bobbie Alexander
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The institute is located at 2368 Le Conte Avenue, Berkeley, California, and the phone number is Ashbury 3-1918.

H. S. Seminary to Start

The Berkeley and Oakland Stakes have set out on a seminary week-day educational program. This work is being given in several ward chapels. It has to be given before the opening of the regular school classes each day of the week.

Courses will be offered in Old Testament, New Testament, Church History and Book of Mormon. At the conclusion of the fourth year the Church presents the students with a graduation diploma.

The classes for this year are to be restricted to Oakland and Berkeley Stakes. However, the long range porgram aims to include all the Stakes in the Bay Area. It is highly probable the week day religious program will be extended to San Francisco next year.

The following trained teachers will conduct classes this year: Alton Davis, Richard Bliss, Curtis O. Finch, Doyle Fullmer, Rhoda Neilson, Kirma Kenner and R. Lee Kenner.

This work is given to LDS students between the ages of 14-19. The bishops of the wards furnish the class room near the high schol and the LDS Church publishes all texts at actual cost.

SAN FRANCISCO STAKE

SAN FRANCISCO WARD:

San Francisco Ward is proud to welcome six new members into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Those baptized and confirmed in August were: Viva Louella Wyland Bagley, Florence May Groshong Batten, Jane Clara Peterson, Joseph Daly, Harvey Herman Jackson and Carl Kenneth Harris.

Babies blessed at the same time were: Dennis Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs Eugene Simmons; Linda Marie Peck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Peck; Tina Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jonn Wayne, and Randa Lucille, daughter of Jess Coombs.

Sheron Rae Clawson was awarded the MIA Joy certificate and pin, the first time such an award has been given in the San Francisco Ward. It was presented by Tillie Dunn, her MIA teacher.

At the same time Bishop Price presented individual awards to Charlene Seibert, Everlie Glew, Arlene Glew and Sharon Clawson. These awards are given to girls who have attended 26 sacrament meetings, 36 Sunday school meetings, paid full tithe for one year, kept the Word of Wisdom and participated in ward activities.

SAN RAFAEL.

Gwynn Family to Live In France

By BARBARA REYNOLDS.

Gwynns Fly to Paris

The Gwynn family will soon join Col. Edward Gwynn who is with NATO in Paris, France. Leaving New York by air on September 4th they will make their home in Garchas, a short distance from Paris.

This and That

Helen Lynn has resigned her position with the Independent-Journal to become Dr. Leininger's office nurse and righthand man.

The Relief Society held a successful building fund benefit bake sale at the Greenbrea Bon Air Market on August 15th.

Everyone is glad to welcome Joyce Cley after her emergency appendectomy at the Hamilton Field hospital.

BALBOA SECOND.

MIA Girls' Camp at Huckleberry Flats

M.I.A. is still having plenty of fun. The girls enjoyed a nature walk and picnic at San Bruno on August 10. Another exciting overnight camping trip comes September 11 and 12 at Huckleberry Flats in San Mateo Memorial Park. Don't miss the fun this time! MIA is sponsoring a big Building Fund "Anniversary" dinner October 14. Put the date on your calendar now.

Blessed: Robert Steven Johnson. Baptized: Judith Ann Jordan.

Ordinations: Edward Gormley, deacon.

Our fast and testimony meetings are held during our evening service now at 5:00 p.m.

Balboa II, Mission and Sunset wards completed the canning of peaches for their welfare assignment.

Farewell to the Layton Oyler family and Frank Auston family. We'll miss all of you.

SUNSET WARD.

Choir Rehearsals Are Resumed

By ROXIE KANZLER.

The ward choir, under the direction of Jean Lauper, have resumed rehearsals. V. I. Terry is president, Donna Peterson, secretary, Barbara Marquardt and Polly Lauper, librarians; Corma Gorman and Gorden McAllister, membership chairman.

Conrad Tolson, son of Elvin and Tena Tolson, Mary Lee Pyle, daughter of Mrs. Harry W. Pyle, were confirmed members of the Church recently.

Dawn Hickenlooper and Claudia Lauper have been home for summer vacations. Their daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hickenlooper, will return to the BYU and Claudia, the daughter of President and Mrs. Sage J. Lauper, will return to Modesley College in Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Gates have recently returned from Rochester, New York, where he has been doing residency work on a Ph. D. degree. They are visiting their parents. Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Gates of Palo Alto and President and Mrs. Sage J. Lauper of San Francisco. Jim Gates will be remembered by her many friends as Georgia Tolson. They will return shortly to make their home in Provo, Utah, where he is in the BYU music department.

Bishop's meeting was held August 10th at San Bruno Park in honor of our outgoing superintendent of Sunday school, Wesley Tolly, and first cunselor, Leon C. Collett. New officers as Superintendent, Leon C. Collett, with counselors Vern I. Terry and Ivan Douglas Smith.

The Saints who are laboring in the service of the Master are encouraged by the profound scripture, "If the Lord am bound when we do what we say, but when ye do what I say, but have no promise." D&C 82:10.

BALBOA WARD.

Bishop Plans Party For Ward Officers

By MABLE G. SIMISTER

At a bishop-sponsored party held August 26 the Sunday School acted as host to the Balboa Ward officers and teachers and their escorts. Delightful refreshments and entertainment were enjoyed.

The Sunday School regretted to lose Layton Jay, their superintendent, to the Scouts to be their scoutmaster of troop 92. He takes the place of Colonel Lear, now transferred to Greenland. Best wishes to Colonel Lear and his family. The Sunday School welcomes Dwight Hoopi as a teacher.

Mutual officers planned a surprise party in August for Arleen and Wilbur Moulton. The youth of the ward also honored the newlyweds in the same way.

Relief Society president, Lillian Allen, reports her organization now complete with Jean Barton, second counselor, Marie Hendershott, social science head, and Sister Hoops as home management leader.

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Cub Pack 95—One of First in the Church

NEW BOBCAT CUB SCOUTS OF PACK 95 Berkeley First and Second Wards and Claremont Ward, give cub scout sign prior to receiving cub pins and neckerchiefs at first pack meeting in new Claremont Ward recreation hall, July 27, 1953. Left to right, front: Dennis Macomber, Paul Glenn, Garry Jaynes, David Jenson, James Godfrey. Rear: Thomas Young, Hal Gaisford, Bill Franz and Jim Arnold. Certificates were also presented to the pack committeemen to five den mothers: Violet Jaynes, Harriette Young, June Glenn, Minerva Bailey and Betty June Johnson. Robert H. Johnson and Harold R. Gaisford conducted the meeting.

In addition to the nine new cubs named above, the following old cub scouts are also charter members of the new pack: Harry B. Johnson, Price Ball, David C. Johnson, Melvin Lewis, Stephen Millward, Stephen Baer, Richard Arnold, Blair Jaynes and Stephen Bailey.

C. Ray Balmforth announced that at the recent Boy Scout Jamboree near Santa Ana, California, he learned that Pack 95 was one of the first cub scout packs ever sponsored by the Primary Association of the LDS Church. The pack meeting on July 27 was one of the first public meetings ever held in the nearly-completed Claremont Ward Chapel on Stuart Street, in Berkeley.

Stake President, Head American Dairy Association, Speaks in Petaluma

MERRILL N. WARNICK

Merrill N. Warnick (cousin of Paul Warnick, bishop of Oakland Fifth Ward) president of the American Dairy Association, and president of the Timpanogas Stake in Utah County, Utah, addressed a California dairymen's meeting at Petaluma, August 17.

This Farm Bureau-sponsored meeting heard President Warnick discuss national problems that confront the dairymen of the nation. He had previously attended farm leaders' meetings in Washington called by Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson, with whose views he expresses agreement.

For over 16 years Elder Warnick has served as president of the American Dairy Association of Utah; and has been a director of the National Holstein-Freisian Association of America for eight years; a trustee of the USAC for eight years, and for seven years a director of the Utah State Fair Board.

Pres. Warnick has been awarded a 4-H gold pin for 25 years of leadership in the boys' and girls' agricultural club work; he has served as a scoutmaster and Scout committeeman, and is an eagle Scout and a Lions club member.

Speaking of Church work, Brother Warnick has served as bishop and in bishoprics for 16 years, and now for ten years has presided over the Timpanogas Stake. He and his wife, Lurena Eldredge Warnick, are parents of four sons and four daughters.

Perhaps President Warnick's most recent distinction, and one most prized, is the fact that he is the one individual in Utah who has won the Progressive Breeders' Registry award for his model herd of Holsteins, the result of an improved breeding program based on consistent production records, type, and herd health.

The picture accompanying this story shows the framed award on the wall as Elder Warnick sits at his desk at home in Pleasant Grove, Utah.

Incidentally, the Messenger's editor is in receipt of a letter from the subject of this news story which contains the statement: "I remember you from the time I was a boy"—a time when the editor was a boys' and girls' club leader himself, and a state high school supervisor of boys rural projects in Utah. We remember the happy youth who has become a national farm figure.

Dailies Interview Tom Ferguson

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ramic figurines have already been found.

PLAN TO EXCAVATE

"As the finds were made at the end of the dry season in May, excavations will commence when the rains end in November, according to the Foundation's present plans.

"Clues, which now have led to the discovery, were first developed nearly 20 years ago when Ferguson was a student at the University of California. Pursuing his hobby of archaeology, he probed into the life of ancient America in the university's Bancroft Library, reading avidly some of the oldest books in the New World.

"Most archaeologists have been prone to ignore or discount these ancient books, written mostly in Latin script by Indian scholars, but research seems to have verified what they tell.

"For eample, 'Popul Vuh,' a sacred book of the ancient Mayas, dating back to 1550, tells of 'Tulan, an ancient and great capital city.'

"This is the city we have been looking for and which I am inclined to believe we have found," the attorney says.

"Because the city appears to have been found in the area pointed up by the ancient books, Ferguson also feels that Near Eastern theory of origin may also be verified because the same writers also tell of migrations across that part of the world.

"'Totonicapan," dated September 28, 1554, and signed by the elders of the Guatemalan town of the same name, says that their forefathers 'came from the borders of Babylonia' and were descendants of Abraham and Jacob' led there 'by the God of Ancient Israel.'

"'Historical Works of Ixlilxochitl,' written by an Aztec prince in the 16th Century, tells of three transoceanic migrations from the land of the 'high tower' and of coming into the Gulf of Mexico in 3091 B.C. It also tells of later immigrants some centuries before Christ and has them in the same great capital city as early as 132 B.C.

"'Now we will seek samples of their script,' Ferguson says 'and if it appears to be of Hebrew or Arabic origin, it would seem to verify their writings.'

"He emphasized that the New World Foundation is not 'pushing the Near East theory of origin because we are a fact-finding body. We dig and then let the chips fall where they may,' he declared, 'but this discovery does look promising for exponents of that idea.'

"The Foundation, which is exclusively studying the origin question, was incorporated in 1952 and is a non-profit organization financed by private contributions and interested parties.

"Included on its technical staff are Dr. Alfred V. Kidder, dean of Central American archaeologists and retired chairman of the Carnegie Institution's archaeology division; Dr. Gordon Willey, Harvard University; Dr. Gordon Ekholn, American Museu of Natural History."

The Hiltons and Pres. Byrne Visit Berkeley Meet

With a major theme of missionary service running like a strong woof thread thru a diversified fabric of sermons, the Berkeley Stake conference was conducted without benefit of any General Authorities from Salt Lake City.

Stake President W. Glenn Harmon presided, while his counselors Wayne E. Mayhew and Emery R. Ranker conducted and joined the president in addressing the three Sunday meetings.

Invited guests for the conference were Patriarch (and former Oakland Stake president) Eugene Hilton and his wife, Ruth Savage Hilton. These recently returned missionaries to the British Mission told of their labors, as well as of observations on their world tour, which brought them thru Palestine, Egypt, India, Tokyo and Hawaii to San Francisco and Oakland.

Visiting the conference at the Sunday morning session was also Thomas E. Byrne, counselor to Santa Rosa Stake President John Murdock, Mr. and Mrs. E. Z. Taylor and several others from Vallejo.

Addressing the conference sessions besides those previously mentioned, were high counselors, George Olson, Fred J. Hatt, with Joseph C. Eyring, Stake Patriarch Isaac B. Ball and Berkeley LDS Institute Director Lee Kenner.

Released with much regret was Elwood Meredith, stake clerk, who with his gifted musical wife and family has moved to Denver because of a change in employment assignment by the International Harvester company. Sustained as stake clerk was Leon Baer, formerly assistant to Elder Meredith.

Unusually elevating conference singing was furnished at the morning and afternoon sessions by an augmented Claremont Ward choir led by Chorister Curtis Millward. Accompanist at the pipe organ was Darlene Dangerfield and Jack Tucker was the soloist.

Numbers rendered by the choir included "O Come, Let Us Sing Unto the Lord," "Praise Ye the Mighty God," "If With All Your Hearts," and "The Lord's Prayer," the latter composed by LeRoy Robertson as part of his recent new and masterful Book of Mormon Oratorio.

The Saturday evening session heard discourses on missionary work, while the Sunday evening meeting was devoted to sacred music by a stake choir composed of members from ward choirs. This stake choir was led in hymn singing by the ward choristers, Mildred Gibbs, Andrew L. Gardner and JoAn Chalmers, and finally conducted in four anthems by Stake Chorister Nico D. Snel.

A ladies' chorus, conducted by Leola Esperson, sang "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked," followed by a rendition of "Ode to Immortality," composed and conducted by Francelle Larsen.

Heard also was a male quartet rendering a musical composition written by Nico D. Snel to words by James Wright, based upon the new MIA theme, "Abide Ye In Liberty."

A talk by Pres. Emery R. Ranker upon the life of the Savior was given between halves of the evening's musical program.

Subjects covered by the conference speakers included parental responsibility for children's training by Pres. Harmon, the broad objectives of the gospel by Works of the Church by Pres. Ranker, the Standard Mayhew, missionary work our responsibility, by Joseph C. Eyring, work as a duty and a blessing, by Fred J. Hatt, observations on a visit to the old home town in Idaho, by George Olsen, and faith in our Heavenly Father as the prime foundation of man's mental, moral and spiritual equilibrium, and peace and well-being by Isaac B. Ball.

Church Members Civic Activities

Utah U. S. Senator Watkins Authored Refuge Bill In Congress

Senator Arthur V. Watkins, (R.-Utah), on August 10th, saw President Eisenhower sign into law the refugee bill which the Senator had fathered in the United States Senate. The new measure permits 214,000 refugees from over- population and Communist terror to enter the United States. The bill finally passed but only at the urgent appeal of the president to the senate.

● President J. Reuben Clark of the First Presidency, was the chief speaker at dedicatory rites August 10 in Salt Lake City celebration completion at a cost of $8,300,000 of a 300-mile pipeline from the Wyoming oil fields at Sinclair to the city of the Saints. It is stated that oil is delivered through the pipeline at a cost of one cent a gallon, whereas the cost of rail or truck transportation is approximately five cents a gallon.

Joint owners of the pipeline are the Continental Oil Co. and the Sinclair Oil Co., a subsidiary of Standard Oil.

General Temple Information Bulletin Remainder of 1953

ARIZONA: Closed for summer, July 3; reopens October 6.
Closes November 26, 27, 28.
Closes for year, December 23; reopens January 4, 1954.

HAWAIIAN: Closed for summer during August.
Closes for year, December 19, 1953; reopens Jan. 2, 1954.

IDAHO FALLS: Closes for summer, August 29; reopens October 13.
Closed November 26, 27.
Closes for year, Dec. 24; reopens Jan. 5, 1954.

LOGAN: Closed for summer, July 31; reopens September 8.
Closes for Conference Oct. 2-3.
Closes November 26, 27, 28.
Closes for year, Dec. 18; reopens Jan. 4, 1954.

MANTI: Closed for summer, July 31; reopens Sept. 8.
Closes October 1 and 2.
Closes November 26 and 27.
Closes for year, Dec. 18; reopens Jan. 4, 1954.

ST. GEORGE: Closed for summer, July 18; reopens September 8.
Closes November 26 only.
Closes for year, Dec. 20; reopens Jan. 4, 1954.

SALT LAKE: Closed for summer, Friday evening, July 3; reopens Monday, August 17.
Closed Monday, September 7.
Closed for Conference, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 2-3.
Closed Monday, October 12.
Closed Thursday, November 11.
Closes Wednesday evening, November 25 and reopens Monday, November 30.
Closes for year, Friday evening, December 18; reopens Monday, January 4, 1954.

The Los Angeles Temple, 1955

By LEO J. MUIR

The writer has always been an interested observer in the progress of the stakes in Southern California, since it was his privilege to be a member of the presidency of the first stake for more than four years and to preside over that stake during the succeeding twelve years.

When the first stake, Los Angeles, was divided in 1927, and Hollywood Stake created, there was much unhappiness arising out of fear of lost friendships. Happily the headquarters of the two stakes were close together, with the result that much interstake activity continued.

In 1936 and 1939 other divisions took place and new stakes were organized. Today one finds thirteen stakes in the Southern California region. These are East Los Angeles, East Long Beach, Glendale, Inglewood, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Pasadena, Rubidoux, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Fernando, Santa Monica and South Los Angeles.

I shall enumerate a few of the greater influences that tend to bring wholesome and orderly increase in a much desired closer interstate association.

Weekly LDS Newspaper Helps

The first of these influences was the creation of California Intermountain News in 1935. It has afforded a favorable medium for interstake communication and cooperation by freely and voluntarily promoting numerous activities in the wards and stakes of the region. The weekly issues of this paper now reach nearly 10,000 Latter-day Saints homes.

The second influence is the gradual extension of interstake contests in the M.I.A. program. They have brought many hundreds of young people together from the far stretches of this populous area in a variety of wholesome activities.

A third influence, and a very substantial one, is the rapidly developing welfare program of the region, implemented by the 500-acre agricultural and ranching property at Perris, and the efficiently appointed institution, the Deseret Industries and the regional store house.

Temple Unites Stakes

The fourth influence, or factor, leading toward this desired interstake cooperation is the financing and building of the Los Angeles Temple. This adventure has captured the imagination, interest and devotion of the saints in Southern California far more than has any other activity in the history of the colony. It is safe to predict that this temple will ever be the most powerful, continuing agency for the spiritual unification of the Mormon people in Southern California.

El Ray L. Christiansen Assistant to the Twelve To Tour No. Calif. Missions

Pres. Thomas W. Gardner announces that Elder ElRey L. Christiansen, assistant to the quorum of Twelve Apostles of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and he and their wives will tour the Northern California Mission from September 5 to 13, beginning at Orland, California. The tour schedule follows:

Saturday, Sept. 5—Public meeting, Orland chapel; Sept. 6—Shasta District conference, Redding chapel; September 7—San Joaquin District missionary report meeting; Sept. 8—Fresno District missionary report meeting, Second Ward chapel; Sept. 9—Monterey Bay District missionary report meeting, San Jose chapel, 24 Cleaves street; Sept. 10—Golden Gate District missionary report meeting, Dimond Ward chapel; Sept. 12—Redwood District missionary report meeting, Eureka chapel; Dedication—Fortuna Branch chapel, Sunday, Sept. 13—Redwood District conference, Eureka chapel.

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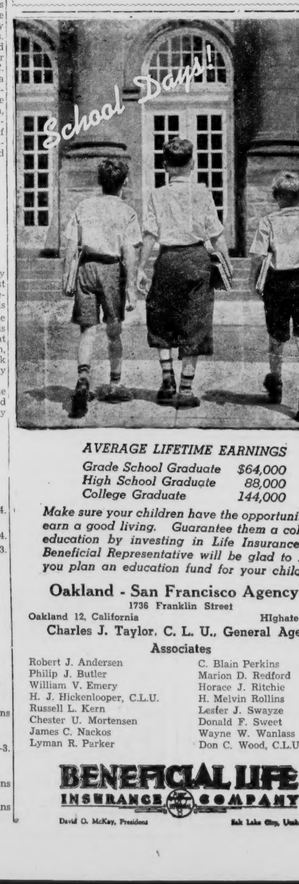

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OAKLAND STAKE CONFERENCE HEARS FROM MISSIONARIES FROM FIVE FOREIGN LANDS

PRESIDENT WRIGHT

The Oakland Stake quarterly conference met Sept. 12 and 13 "on its own," without visiting General Authorities. Stake Pres. Delbert F. Wright, presided and his counselors, Glen C. Shaw and Elmo R. Smith, conducted services.

This "missionary conference" heard from returned missionaries Eugene, Ruth and Patricia Hilton and Rufus Phelps of the British mission, Eugene Muir from Samoa, Gloria Jacobs, from Spanish America, Fred Lundberg from Uruguay, Athal Judd from Spanish America, Robert H. DeVries, from the Netherlands, and Louis Jackson from Uruguay.

Stake mission president, Leonard Lyons, spoke before the Saturday evening session of the conference, and was followed by stake missionaries, George Osmond and Gaylene Clayson. This meeting was preceded by a special demonstration meeting for stake missionaries.

Music for the Saturday evening meeting was provided by stake missionaries.

Music for the Sunday morning session held in the Scottish Rite auditorium and the Sunday evening meeting in the Oakland chapel was furnished by a combined choir from wards of the stake under the direction of Estrella Olszonka.

Thyra Winkel of the stake high council presented the girl's trophy for outstanding performance to girls of the Castro Valley Ward, while Elmo R. Smith presented the boys' trophy for outstanding Aaronic priesthood work to the Oakland Second (former Elmhurst) Ward. This ward has now won this distinction a sixth time based on attendance and participation records.

President W. Glenn Harmon of the Berkeley Stake spoke before the morning session of 1600 members and reported the ten year growth of the Oakland and Berkeley Stakes from a membership of 7340 to a present 6200 members in Oakland Stake and 5600 in the Berkeley Stake, a total of 11,800.

Heard also at the conference were Richard S. Smead, new member of the Oakland Stake, high council; Melba Larsen speaking for the Stake Primary, and Bishop John Webster of San Leandro Ward.

Pres. Wright thrilled with his testimony and in a special message to the youth of the stake

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The time when the Liahona Club's lodge will be as handsome and comfortable as a good hotel lobby has been made nearer by September workers.

The knotty pine interior finish has been almost completed, the mahogany doors stained and most of the flooring laid. Besides this, the wide-spreading lodge porches have been duly reinforced. And a good start has been made on the huge throated cobblestone fireplace.

As previously mentioned the doors and windows are all in and their locks installed and a supply of collspring single and double beds placed in the upstairs sleeping rooms.

Deer Hunting Around Liahona Campsite

Woody Bates, Charles Mills, Vern Bennett and I. B. Ball journeyed to the campsite Saturday, September 19, which happened to be the first day of a 30-day hunting season up there. On the way thru the Stanislaus forest we were stopped, as were all cars at a registration station. This stop was repeated when we came down the same road the next day on our way home.

The official at this registration station told us that about 1,000 hunters had entered this one National Forest in that first day of the deer hunting season. We could believe this startling figure because of the almost endless number of gun-toting, red-hatted hunters we saw that day in that forest.

Fishing in the Sonora Pass Playland

The Berkeley Gazette of September 22, 1953 carried a story regarding both the fighting trout and the fleet deer in the Stanislaus Forest. It reported a Berkeley sportsmen expedition of four men who packed into Cow Meadow, 26 miles out of Kennedy Meadows (20 miles above the Liahona Campsite). These four Berkeleyites fished up there in Deer, Buck and La Tore lakes and reported the fish there averaged 9 to 12 pounds and the best lure as the "superduper." The Liahona Lodge is a good homebase for both deer hunting and trout fishing, it seems.

Pres. Vinal Mauss Leaving Japan For Home via Europe

President Vinal G. Mauss, under date of September 17 informs the Messenger that "We will soon be released and will be returning home to our friends." He has presided over the Japanese Mission four full years.

Elder Mauss states that he and the family will leave Japan on October 15 for a round-the-world return to California. He says, "We have made plans to travel back by way of Europe and New York. Since seeing the Hiltons we were impressed with a desire to see the Holy Land and we thought this the one opportunity to do so."

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San Francisco Stake

Spencer Cornwall Conducts Six-Stake Music Institute in San Francisco

STERLING WHEELWRIGHT

A mixed quartet from each ward of the six Northern California stakes met on the evening of Friday, September 18, in the San Francisco Stakehouse for a music institute. Under the leadership of J. Spencer Cornwall, conductor of the Tabernacle choir, a new anthem book, "Sing Unto God," was introduced.

Sister Mary Cornwall accompanied her husband. They were guests for two days of the Sterling Wheelwrights. Bro. Wheelwright is head of the music department at the San Francisco State college. He is a former tabernacle organist.

Music institutes will be held in Los Angeles and Mesa, Ariz.

Sept ember 18 was also the date of the annual father and sons outing. A group of 85 assembled at Camp Taylor in Marin county for a campfire, dinner and to spend the night. The next morning they went to the grounds of the Red Top school in San Anselmo for a sports program. Eldon Reed of the high council was in charge of the outing.

All members of the stake presidency plan to attend General Conference.

Pres. and Sis. Hilton Robertson, who have recently been assigned to head the Japanese Mission, were in town briefly last week end. Before leaving at noon, Sunday, September 20, on the President Cleveland for Japan, they took time to call many of their friends and to visit the Sunday school of the Chinese Mission they headed until the last few months. These wonderful people, who have served the Church for so many years in the Orient, have the best wishes of San Francisco Stake.

Stake Sunday Schools

The Stake Sunday school organization is making great strides. Wesley Talley, superintendent, has selected as his first assistant, Paul Stewart of Mission Ward. Bro. Stewart was formerly first assistant in San Francisco Ward Sunday school. Mary Nell of Mission Ward is the new secretary, and recent board members are: Lillian Collett of Sunset in the junior and senior classes (ages 12-14 years), and Maruerite Thurston of San Francisco Ward, in the advanced senior department (ages 15-16 years).

Alice Patton of Sunset is now assistant to Jennie Starkey, who is in charge of the Junior Sunday schools.

Starting in November, a bi-monthly program of Union meetings will be started, meeting in the evening.

Under Bessie Schettler, who is in charge of teacher training for the Sunday school, pre-service teacher training will be started in all wards in the near future. These excellent classes, held during Sunday school, train prospective teachers for all auxiliaries of the ward, as well as for the Aaronic priesthood.

Welfare Dinner October 24

The annual stake welfare dinner, put on by the Seventies, is set for Saturday, October 24. A theme has been chosen: "Down on the Farm" and everyone is urged to attend in jeans and ginghams. The dinner will feature roast beef, and this will be followed by an unusually fine program made up of all professional talent brought by Bishop Bill Stoker of San Mateo, who will serve as emcee for the evening. Tickets, priced at $2.50 each, are available from members of the Seventies in the stake.

The stake priesthood meeting held September 21, had the largest attendance to date. Speaker of the evening was Pres. David Haight of Palo Alto Stake.

Stake Conference Oct. 10, 11

Stake conference will be held October 10 and 11. Of special interest will be the Saturday evening husbands and wives meeting.

The entire stake rejoices at the recovery of Sister Ann Barton who was seriously ill in the hospital for two weeks. She is now at home, regaining her strength and health. Ann's sister, Joy Richards of Salt Lake City, is with her.

Two new members are on the Stake MIA board: Naomi Leavitt of Mission Ward, dance director and Emily Trottier of San Rafael Ward, who will work with Afton Jensen in the Mia Maids department.

MIA BOARDS' PARTY

The MIA boards got together at the Eldon Reed home in San Rafael September 11. The food was marvelous, the night warm and beautiful, and everyone had loads of fun. Adding to the fun were special awards given for all sorts of things and consisting of amusing novelty gifts. One person was given a special award for eating the most; another for being the newest member; and Veda Bramwell, president of the YW, received an award as the glamour girl of the party.

Next morning, early, most of the board members were at Golden Gate park where a breakfast sing was held for Boy Scouts and Bee -Hive girls. Breakfast, cooked on the spot, and singing, were followed by games and hikes through the park. A good crowd attended.

MIA leadership meetings are planned for the fourth Monday of every month. Held in the stakehouse, they begin at 7:30.

Berkeley Stake Group Canning Goes Over Big

Bishop and Mrs. Del Carman of the Richmond Ward are looking to the year 1953 of group and project canning that will even excell the record of 54,000 cans last year for Berkeley Stake. They estimate a 1953 total of over 60,000 cans of which about 12,000 will be budget pack and 48,000 for groups.

Among the wards that have been very active this year to date both in budget and in group canning are the Martinez Ward under the leadership of Mrs. Vivian and Ancil Orrick; the Berkeley Second Ward, led by Helen Jensen; Berkeley First Ward led by Ed and Marjorie Pyle; and Bishop Del and Essie Carman, leaders of Richmond Ward, and stake overseers.

Apricots, peaches, apples, pears and tomatoes make up the bulk of the canning with a little meat canning.

The Carmans Observation

Bishop Del Carman and Mrs. Carman of Richmond Ward, the overseers of the stake canning operations at the Berkeley Stake canner in the Bishops Storehouse and Welfare Center at Fink Lane and San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito, have noted the gradual increase of interest and participation each year in group canning along with canning to fulfill the stake's assigned budget requirements.

The figures show that of the 60,000 estimated cans for 1953, one-fifth is for the assigned budget and four-fifths are for individual family use, canned by means of ward groups acting together for this purpose. As mentioned 48,000 cans of fruits and tomatoes are now or will soon be on family shelves in the Berkeley stake as a result of a single season's use of the stake's cannery.

The Carmans keep all records as well as direct all operations at the cannery. Sometimes this calls for weeks when very little time is left for sleep, for both Mr. and Mrs. Carman carry on their daily employment all the while. Such voluntary ser-

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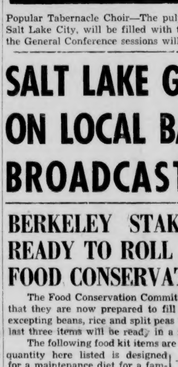

GLEN C. SHAW

Popular Tabernacle Choir—The pulpit seats shown in this photograph of the famous Tabernacle Choir, Salt Lake City, will be filled with the General Authorities of the Church, Sunday, October 4, when the General Conference sessions will be seen and heard for the first time over local stations.

SALT LAKE GENERAL CONFERENCE ON LOCAL BAY AREA TELEVISION, BROADCASTING STATIONS

BERKELEY STAKE FOOD KIT READY TO ROLL ACCORDING TO FOOD CONSERVATION HEADS

The Food Conservation Committee of Berkeley Stake announces that they are now prepared to fill orders on all "Food Kit" items excepting beans, rice and split peas which await the new crop. These last three items will be ready in a month or a little over.

The following food kit items are ready. The number of cans or the quantity here listed is designed for a maintenance diet for a family of two for one year. Double or triple these figures according to the number in your family.

Wheat, 140 pounds in 4 large cans at $2.80 ..... $10.60
Milk, powdered, 100 lbs. in two 50-lb. bags, at $9.25 ..... $18.50.
Margarine, 24 lbs., 1½ pounds in one-pound cartons—30c in vacuum packed cans.
Vegetable Shortening, 18 lbs. in 3-lb. vacuum packed tins. $5.00
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Sugar, 50 lbs. and salt, 3 to 6 lbs. Buy at your food store, but be sure you do buy and store.
Don't procrastinate—the days of trouble and destruction in America may dawn at any moment. THE PROPHET WARNS US TO STORE FOOD. We repeat, saints, heed now! Order now! Do it today!

We reproduce in short form the order blank which your bishop and your high priests' leader now has. Get yours, fill out today.

Mail your signed order form to John Franz, 245 Pomona Ave., El Cerrito at least one month ahead of desired delivery date. Enclose remittance of at least 25 per cent of your order. Name date you would like to pick up your order at rear of Welfare Center, Fink Lane and San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito, on a Saturday between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Berkeley Stake Emergency Food Committee
ORDER FOR EMERGENCY FOOD

Please have ready for me Saturday (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.) .....195..... (A) one complete Emergency Food Kit or (B) the following food items:

Number	Items	Price

Date..... Signed.....
Cash or check herewith received (at least 25 per cent of order), balance due on delivery.
Date..... Signed by.....
Committee Representative.

A $10 Prize For Best Three Reasons Why It's Good To Patronize Messenger Advertisers

A $10 cash prize is hereby offered for the best three reasons (sent to us by October 21), why it's good to patronize our Messenger Advertisers. Best reasons will be printed in the November Messenger.

Contestants must also qualify by finding and naming the one ad on each page of the October Messenger containing the two coined words, "Regnessem Sresitrevda," which are the two words, "Messenger Advertisers" spelled backwards.

Find eight Regnessem Sresitrevdas, one on each page, hidden in an ad.

Better hurry! You could enjoy that extra $10.

KGO-TV and radio stations Sunday, October 4, 1953, will broadcast for the first time the sessions of the General Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Besides TV, local AM and FM stations will carry the conference.

These arrangements were announced September 21, by the newly formed Bay Area General Conference Radio committee representing the bay area stakes. Glen Shaw of the Oakland Stake presidency, was a leader in this movement.

KGO-TV will broadcast the morning session of the General Conference direct from the Tabernacle in Salt Lake City. Because of the difference of one hour in time between SLC and the Pacific Coast, KGO-TV will be on the air here from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., channel seven. KGO TV will not carry the afternoon session of this conference.

Two FM radio stations will broadcast the conference also 9 to 11 a.m., and again in the afternoon from 1 to 3 o'clock. These stations are KRON-FM and KSBR-FM. KRON-FM broadcasts on 96.5 megavolts; KSBR-FM on 100.5 megavolts.

One regular standard broadcasting station (AM), will broadcast locally both morning and afternoon Tabernacle sessions of the conference. This is San Jose's KEEN-AM, broadcasting on 1370 KC. Bay area listeners will tune this station easily by first finding KRE (1400KC) and then turning the dial very slightly to the next station, KEEN. Probably most homes that do not have television will tune in on KEEN on their regular, standard radio.

KEEN will broadcast the conference at 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and at 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., thus differing in time of broadcasting from KGO-TV and the two FM stations. These hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. broadcasts from KEEN are made necessary because the station had prior commitments. KEEN will therefore tape record the actual conference sessions and rebroadcast them one hour later from its San Jose station which can be heard clearly from Vallejo to Santa Cruz.

KEEN is on the air every day full time. Its signals usually are heard clearly as far east as the Livermore hills, and sometimes reach Modesto and Stockton.

Only those radio sets that have FM (frequency modulation) re-

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